

Rudi needs new midfield strongman

John Yzendoorn's illness has drained the Socceros of midfield strength in the difficult match against England B at the St Andrews Ground in Birmingham next Monday.

Yzendoorn's tackling and marking were to have counterbalanced the freer play of Ken Boden in a match plan which allows for only two midfielders because two stoppers — Tony Henderson and Murray Barnes — play in front of sweeper Ivo Prskalo.

The players with the qualities necessary to fill Yzendoorn's position are Alan Davidson and Arno Bertogna who now have the chance to establish themselves firmly in the first eleven.

The tour ended for Yzendoorn when it was found he had glandular fever.

Steve Hogg of Brisbane Lions was due to leave for London yesterday (Tuesday) to replace Yzendoorn, who will join his parents in Nottingham to recover.

Yzendoorn still hopes to have a trial with Ipswich Town during this trip. So does goalkeeper Greg Woodhouse, even though the ASF has banned transfers overseas by members of the national squad.



Steve Hogg



John Yzendoorn



Alan Davidson

Meanwhile, coach Rudi Gutendorf has vetoed the suggested match against the English Alliance League in Scarborough on 28 November, saying: "I will not downgrade the name of Australia."

A match against Tunisia may replace the Scarborough game.

Coach Bobby Robson has a strong squad from which to choose the England B team that will meet the Socceros. It includes seven players who were in the England team that played in the Centenary match at the Sydney Cricket Ground on 31 May.

The squad is: Garry Bailey

(Manchester United), Phil Parkes (West Ham), Brendon Batson (West Brom), Kevin Bond (Norwich), Russell Osman (Ipswich), Shaun Elliot (Sunderland), Derek Statham (West Brom), Steve Williams (Southampton), Brian Talbot (Arsenal), Gordon Cowans (Aston Villa), Dennis Mortimer (Aston Villa), Alan Sunderland (Arsenal), Cyrille Regis (West Brom), Peter Ward (Nottingham Forest), Kevin Reeves (Manchester City), Peter Barnes (West Brom), Alan Devonshire (West Ham), David Armstrong (Middlesbrough).

Ted Simmons reports that a depressed Yzendoorn said he believed the illness followed his vaccinations one week before the tour started.

"I was in bed for three days and felt even worse after the flight to Athens. I feel really sick about not playing as it is a tremendous tour and it would have been the highlight of my career," he said.

Yzendoorn watched the international against Greece

at the Alexandra Stadium in Athens last night.

He plans to attend the matches the Socceros will play against England B and Leicester City and then hopes to train with Ipswich.

The loss of Yzendoorn follows the pattern of other Australian tours including the 1979 visit to China when Joe Senkalski had to return home because of injury.

The Australians completed two full scale workouts the day before the game against Greece.

Gary Cole especially was in devastating form. He slammed and clipped at least six goals past both Allan Maher and Greg Woodhouse during a non-stop 45 minutes game.

An interested and enthusiastic small crowd watched the training session and were impressed with the size and shooting power of Cole, Eddie Krncevic and Alan Davidson and the lightning reflexes of Woodhouse.

"The boys are sharp but winning is not the most important issue in these games," said Gutendorf.

"We would like to win the big matches but our World Cup program is more important," he added.

"The boys will eat, sleep and drink soccer."

"Our object is to qualify for the World Cup, and we must learn what we can from the tour to strengthen our team."

Steve Hogg, already on standby in case of emergency, was contacted at his parents' caravan park on Bribie Island near Brisbane.

He quickly obtained a clearance from Griffith University, where he is studying for a degree in Australian Environmental Studies.

Industrial trouble on the domestic airlines meant that Hogg had to make a 1000 kilometre dash by car from Brisbane to Sydney, arriving on Monday and leaving by Qantas the following day.

Hogg was barely 17 when he started playing in the Phillips League with Canberra City.

This season he transferred to Brisbane Lions.

As a youth international, Hogg was a resounding success in World Youth Championship matches, playing in both New Zealand and Paraguay in 1978-79.

He now has the chance to catch Gutendorf's eye once again, and possibly obtain his first senior international cap against Israel, Hong Kong or Indonesia later in the tour.

Australia's team against Greece was: Woodhouse - Prskalo - Perry, Henderson, Barnes, Tansey - Boden, Davidson, Krncevic - Sharne, Cole.



John Kosmina in action for the Socceros.

Sydney City does it again

Sydney City maintained the most selective recruiting policy in Australian soccer by buying West Adelaide striker John Kosmina for more than \$20,000 last week.

He will move from Adelaide to Sydney on 1 December.

Kosmina will join Mark Trenter and Ken Boden in Sydney City's attack.

This will involve coach Eddie Thomson changing the team's style of play, as Thomson had only two strikers in 1980.

Although Kosmina has not been in great form this year, he should prove as good a buy as Ken Boden, who switched from Newcastle at the start of 1980 from Newcastle United where he won the 1978 Australian Player of the Year award.

Another shrewd acquisition about the same time was John Spanos from Morley Windmills (WA). Spanos won the 1980 Australian Under 21 Player of the Year award, and was named Sydney City's player of the year last week.

He now is on tour with the national squad.

Kosmina spent the 1978 season with Arsenal in the English First Division, playing a few senior games but spending most of the time on the bench or in the club's second team.

Arsenal manager Terry Neill signed Kosmina after watching him play for Australia against Arsenal, Red Star and Celtic in the "World of Soccer" series of 1977.

Kosmina is a product of South Australian State League club Polonia, from where he joined West Adelaide for the start of the PSL in 1977.

He made his debut in the national team under coach

Jimmy Shoulder against Bologna of Italy in Adelaide in 1976. Australia won 3-0.

He has played 37 games for Australia, including 21 full internationals, and he has scored 12 Socceros goals, including six in World Cup games.

He has scored a total of 27 goals in Phillips League PSL Cup and top four series matches.

A few players probably will leave Sydney City during the off-season. Among them is striker Terry Smith, who has been given permission to negotiate with other clubs. Sydney Croatia is said to be interested.

Sydney City has signed defender Mike Lynch, a member of the national youth squad, who plays for Tricolore.

It is negotiating with two other youth internationals.

John Spano's brother, Chris, a midfielder, has won the best player award for Sydney City's Federation team and, together with Jim Patikas, will make a strong claim for senior selection next season.

Sydney City has four players in the national youth squad — Patikas, Gerardo Gomez, Grant Lee and Brett Woods.

Their chance of getting into the senior team will be affected by the world youth titles next year, as the four players will have to miss league matches due to training camps and other national team commitments. — LAURIE SCHWAB

1977: 693,304

1978: 790,852

(14% up)

1979: 778,458

(1.6% down)

1980: 668,956

(14% down)

PSL crowds down 14%

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Total Philips League crowds for 1980 dropped by 109,502, or 14% since last season, on figures published weekly in the Press.

And the 1979 total figure was 12,394 less than the 1978 record of 790,852.

Over the past two years therefore, there has been a drop on 121,896 or 15.4%

The figures are not precise as in most cases, clubs do not make attendance figures available to the Press on match days.

So the figures we use are mostly estimates by reporters at the game. If they are not 100% accurate, they do however reflect the trends from year to year.

It is because of the alarming downturn in attendances that the Philips League and the Australian Soccer Federation have turned their attention to marketing.

The introduction of summer soccer, the addition of strongly-supported clubs Makedonia and Olympic to the PSL and the return of television coverage should help revive public interest next season.

If not, clubs will find it increasingly difficult to maintain the level of competition that now is represented by the PSL. With less money coming through the gates, team expenditure has to be cut.

Most PSL clubs finished 1980 deeply in the red. Adelaide City was the only club open enough to call a meeting of creditors to explain the position and put forward a repayment plan.

Sydney City and St. George, both supported poorly at the gates, are subsidised heavily by their social clubs but Brisbane Lions, Footscray J.U.S.T., Brisbane City and others do not have such luxuries.

If new marketing initiatives fail to fan interest in the league, and in the less fashionable clubs, many must make the decision to tighten their belts drastically or face financial ruin.

Newcastle United remains the most popular club in the league, even though its total attendance in 1980 was a disastrous 50,907 lower than in 1979, on Press figures.

But even the 1980 total of 82,233 was almost 20,000 more than that of the second-most popular club, Marconi.

Adelaide City has lost more than 47,000 since its high of 1977 and both Brisbane clubs have lost almost half the support they had in 1977, the first year of the league.

Attendances for each club since the start of the PSL in 1977. Totals are given first, then the breakdown into seasons. Number of seasons played is indicated in brackets.

	Total	1977	1978	1979	1980
1 Newcastle Utd	319,872 (3)	104,499	133,140	82,233	
2 Adelaide City	293,075 (4)	99,377	73,826	67,889	51,983
3 South Melbourne	288,053 (4)	63,960	85,228	77,400	61,465
4 West Adelaide	270,748 (4)	75,662	87,640	63,516	43,930
5 Marconi	258,812 (4)	50,759	76,191	65,743	66,119
6 Heidelberg	249,494 (4)	66,460	61,000	61,630	60,404
7 Canberra City	190,908 (4)	22,600	62,592	53,051	52,665
8 Brisbane City	184,114 (4)	67,012	45,310	40,480	31,312
9 Brisbane Lions	147,994 (4)	54,519	39,600	22,815	11,060
10 Footscray JUST	143,776 (4)	45,820	31,875	32,469	33,612
11 Sydney Olympic	135,122 (3)	46,661	48,496	39,965	
12 Sydney City	125,230 (4)	31,326	26,899	30,474	31,555
13 St. George BSC	117,815 (4)	25,501	28,209	30,984	33,631
14 APIA Lehart	100,790 (2)			59,912	40,878
15 West Suburbs	40,100 (2)	22,637	17,463		
16 Blacktown	36,100 (1)				36,100
17 Mooroolbark	13,379 (1)	13,379			

Hellas back in State League?

A major reorganisation of Victorian leagues is likely within the next few weeks.

South Melbourne Hellas has applied to have its second team moved from the Metro League Second Division to an enlarged, 14-club State League.

Most other State League clubs appear to favor the move, as Hellas would bring at least some people through the turnstiles.

Preston Makedonia and Footscray J.U.S.T. also are keen to have their second teams play in the State League, but Heidelberg apparent-

ly is not interested, as it has not have a suitable ground.

Hellas president Sam Pappas said: "State League status would give us a better chance of attracting players with the potential to advance to the Philips League team."

"Fielding a State League team would cost us 50% more than the Second Division team, but I'm sure we could draw at least 1000 people to our home games and so cover the additional cost."

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One to go

Next week's issue of "Soccer Action" will be the last of 1980.

We then have our usual off-season break and we'll be back for the Ampol Cup in late January.



REPORT from COCA-COLA BOTTLERS

Aberdeen bargain for the Senators

George Murray, who played alongside Eddie Thomson at Scottish club Aberdeen, is the new coach of Canberra City.

Canberra president Theo Moulis announced jubilantly that the club had secured the services of Murray on a two-year contract for \$15,000 less than it would have paid to any of the local applicants.

"He is not money-hungry," Moulis said. "He loves soccer more than money."

Murray spent 10 years playing and coaching at Aberdeen and has been coaching in Norway for the past two years.

He will come to Australia in December.

Danny Moulis, the club president's son, and Mike Milovanovic, the "Soccer Action" Under 21 Player of the Year, are still set on leaving Canberra.

Wollongong has made a bid for Milovanovic but did not offer enough money.

Canberra is willing to take \$10,000 cash and leave the balance of the \$15,000 to be paid in two instalments next year.

It also is willing to send the team to Wollongong at its own expense and play a game, the proceeds of which would go towards the transfer fee.

Danny Moulis has decided to go to either Sydney or Melbourne to complete his law degree. His transfer fee will be between \$13,000 and \$15,000.

McArthur signed by Croydon

Rumours linking former Albion Rovers coach Bill McArthur with Victorian State League club Croydon were confirmed last week when McArthur was installed as Croydon first team coach for the 1981 season.

Croydon striker, Peter Loughnane will return from the U.S. soon and bring his 18 year old brother Ian with him.

Ian is a midfielder or striker and has scored eight goals in his first five games with Welsh minor league club Welshpool.

Peter has been granted permanent residency but younger brother Ian will play here as a temporary resident.



Branko Buljevic (right) in the good old days at J.U.S.T.

BRANKO BACK AT J.U.S.T.?

Branko Buljevic back to Footscray J.U.S.T. ... Bobby McGuinness to Hellas ... John Gardiner to Makedonia ... Tommy Cumming to Sydney ...

They're some of the rumors involving Melbourne's PSL clubs.

Buljevic had nine seasons with J.U.S.T. before switching to Heidelberg and then Hellas. Now J.U.S.T. apparently wants him back as it sets about recruiting talent for next season.

McGuinness's return to Hellas would be a most bizarre development.

He was discarded by Hellas after joining from Sydney City, and he was also passed up by J.U.S.T. after a trial there. Now, after top-scoring in the State League and winning the 1980 Rothmans Medal for his efforts for Juventus, Hellas is interested again ...

But so is Makedonia.

John Gardiner, who has had uncanny success as player-coach of Croatia, is intent on leaving when his contract expires on 1 December.

Gardiner, 33, wants only to play next season, without the responsibilities of coaching as well, but some Makedonia players reckon he could be persuaded ...

However, Brian Edgley remains first in line for the 1981 coaching job after leading Makedonia to the State League championship this year.

The committee decided some time ago that Edgley should be reappointed but apparently terms of a contract have not yet been worked out.

Tommy Cumming, who has missed most of the season due to injury, almost joined Sydney City in late 1979, and is almost certain to step up into the PSL in 1981. He is quite willing to go interstate.

Cumming's Croatia team mate Carl Gilder also wants to try the PSL, as does Ajax

sweeper Jimmy Dunne, winner of the 1960 Fleming Medal as Player of the Year. — LAURIE SCHWAB

Juve's had a battle scarred decade

Italian businessmen basically can't get along with one another because they all want to run the show.

This was the philosophy I developed after my years with Victorian State League club Juventus.

Whenever an influential person would take over at Juventus there was always too many people ready to point to a fault and say that the person in charge can't do the job properly.

I can look back upon my seven years at Juve and see how many people have been associated with the club.

The turnover is tremendous and the people fall into two basic categories.

There are those who get to the top, are torn to ribbons and never come back but there are others who stay and keep trying to help the club.

My brother John and I joined Juve at the start of 1972 from Metro Second Division side Waverley.

I joined Waverley when I was nine years old and I played in the under-14's because the club couldn't field any lower aged team.

I was runner-up in the best and fairest award for that year and the following season Waverley fielded an under-12 team in which I played.

Playing with much older boys didn't do me any harm. I learned that soccer wasn't all skill and flair. But junior soccer was poorly organised in those days.

The Waverley junior teams were run by parents and a couple of enthusiastic committee members. More often than not we played with seven or eight players.

The standard was quite good but coaching was non-existent.

Coaches were more like supervisors and I didn't learn much until my representative experiences with the State juniors.

I played for Victoria for

Slickers 'audition' for TV

Sydney City will put some of its players through courses on TV presentation to help market them through Channel 0 next season.

Club manager David Childs says, "It will be important for the players to develop the right on-air techniques in order to come across as personalities."

"Some, like John Spanos, for example, already have picked up the knack."

Through coverage of matches and through the proposed panel show on Channel 0 there will be many opportunities to have our players on television, which can only benefit the club.

"We aim to do it properly," he said.

But TV affected the players and the club adversely in the PSL grand final against Heidelberg.

According to Childs, the Sydney City players were "TV-struck" during the game, and this contributed to their 0-4 defeat.

Apparently they had concentrated heavily on making sure that they did everything right in front of the TV cameras and as a result they became a little over-awed.

Childs said Sydney City would announce a new club policy within a week.

"We've had a long, hard look at ourselves and we've decided we have to revamp our ideas in order to draw crowds," he said.

Warren Turnbull first to re-sign

Full back Warren Turnbull was the first Blackburn player to sign for the 1981 season under new coach Rale Rasic.

Peter Cuk, Steve Pollard, Stuart Selva, Carlos Ortega, Don Campbell and Tony Rasmussen also have signed and Cliff Pointer, although not yet signed, has indicated he will play next year.

Campbell and Rasmussen will holiday overseas until mid-January, so they will not play in the early rounds of the season.

Goalkeepers Bruce James, Peter Freeman and Mike Harris are yet to talk with Rasic but all three are expected to stay with the club, as is Ricci Hormazabal who is on holidays.

Ian Hunter has joined Marconi and striker Paul Wilkinson may be leaving.

Bruce Stowell has retired and Rasic expects to name a few recruits next week.

Fashanu for Blacktown?

Rale Rasic's surprise departure to Blacktown could deprive Adelaide City of the services of England's current top scorer Justin Fashanu.

Fashanu scored three goals in five appearances as a guest player in June and is due to return during the English off-season for another stint.

But Fashanu may decide to

switch to Rasic's Blacktown City.

Rasic has tremendous respect for Fashanu and his ability and it seems most likely that he will approach him in the coming months.

Fashanu also greatly admired Rasic's handling of Adelaide City during his short stay and although City expect the Norwich striker to return, it could lose out to the player — coach rapport.

On the other hand, Fashanu has relatives in Adelaide and formed lasting friendships with some of his Adelaide City colleagues.

Whichever side secures him, Fashanu's presence in Australia will be a big boost to the PSL.

Fashanu is playing the best soccer of his career and in a recent match against Nottingham Forest received some cynical treatment from Larry Lloyd.

This is what The Sunday Times said about their duel: "In the 60th minute of this match, something incredible happened. Larry Lloyd didn't foul Justin Fashanu."

"The progressive, far-sighted visionaries of Solihull (Football League's headquarters), had better fashion him a medal for it before he forgets the moment. Then again, he'd probably eat it."

"Anyway, what the terrific young Mr Fashanu was doing, was, frankly, running towards goal. He was presumably obliterating the memory of what happened to him when he tried this naive movement in the first, 10th, 13th, 27th and 51st minutes." — MENO TOUT-SIDS



Justin Fashanu

On the Ball The Player's Viewpoint



CLAUDE LUCCHESI

drop in player payments but there were players who had played in the great side of 1970 and they expected the same sort of money in 1972.

My biggest gripe with Juventus is the attitude at the club concerning Italian players.

We were expected to play for the honour of wearing the black and white strip.

I was amazed at the money some big name players received and I asked the club to let me go or give me the money these guys were getting.

When I finally left for Makedonia I was pleased.

But leaving Juve cost me dearly the season before I went.

"I had to forego a healthy signing on fee to get a \$3,000 maximum transfer clause placed in my contract at the start of my last year with Juventus."

Makedonia's management leaves Juve for dead.

Most of the forward planning that was in existence when I joined Makedonia has come into fruition.

Makedonia said they would have magnificent social rooms and they went ahead and built them.

Many of Juve's promises proved to be empty.

Makedonia built a team from nothing into one of the strongest sides in Victoria.

It was a great thrill for me to play in a championship side this year.

The highlight of my stay at Juve was winning the 1972 Docketty Cup. It was an incredible event and I find it hard to describe the experience.

But I left Juve to play in a successful side so this year has been the realisation of another of my ambitions.

I was skeptical when I first came to Makedonia because I was switching from playing in a team which used a European style of soccer to a British styled side.

However my team mates were fantastic and made me welcome.

The tremendous spirit in our side is something which has been building up for two years for most players.

It's the same with the committee.

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Papasavas calls for rule change

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Papasavas said it was imperative that the VSF change the rule banning PSL players from being used in Federation teams.

"If this rule is not changed, there is little sense having a second team of any sort," he said.

As things stand, Makedonia is lost to the State League as it has been promoted to the PSL, and Doveton and Ringwood City have been promoted to the State League to replace relegated Slavia and Western Suburbs.

If the VSF decides to increase the league to 14, it will call applications for the vacancies.

Such applicants probably would include the progressive Morwell Falcons and Fawkner and Fawkner and Fawkner, Northcote and Werribee as well.

Hellas, Makedonia and J.U.S.T. would have to take their chances against that competition.

Whichever clubs are added to an enlarged State League, they will have to be replaced in the lower league.

Whether this would be done by promotion through the ranks, by retaining relegated clubs or calling for applications remains to be seen — LAURIE SCHWAB

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Chaldi's changes were too drastic

During a West Adelaide media night three days before the start of the 1980 season, a journalist asked Gerry Chaldi if the club was capable of winning the Phillips League championship.

Chaldi hesitated for a moment and retorted: "I will tell you after Sunday."

Chaldi never answered that question, but it was apparent after the season-opener 1-1 draw with Newcastle that West Adelaide would not repeat its 1978 title success.

Indeed, when Gary Cole slammed a first-half hat-trick a week later in a 4-2 Heidelberg win, followed by a 7-0 Sydney City mauling, it was painfully obvious that West would face a relegation crisis.

West's problems really began on that media night. In the presence of half of Adelaide's soccer media, Chaldi took midfielder Garrie Dooley to a corner and had a hushed and stern conversation with him.

Nobody quite knew what to make of it, but within three days Dooley left the club.

Dynamic midfielder Peter Boyle followed two weeks later to join another Chaldi victim, Con Kambar, at State league team Port Adelaide.

So, with three hefty swings of the axe, Chaldi made the changes he thought were necessary.

But the truth is that in his endeavour to rid the team of players he believed would hamper his own plans he simply moved too quickly. He dropped players before getting adequate replacements.

Case in point, Rale Rasic would never have axed Jimbo Muir had he not bought David

Jones or another similar defender.

The loss of Kambar and Boyle was a savage blow to West's stability.

Despite his short-comings, Kambar was probably the single most important member of the defence while many observers believed Boyle filled that role in mid-field.

Of course Chaldi was not helped by the unexpected departure of David Jones to Adelaide City and a severe ankle injury to Barry Reynolds which kept him out for the entire season. That meant that with the exception of Vic Bozanic and Martyn Crook, the defence was completely reshaped.

With so many changes, some of which were simply forced on Chaldi, it always was going to be a difficult season.

And there was also the problem of lack of consistent effort

Meno Toutsidis



from some of Chaldi's key men.

Despite its shocking away record (40 straight losses), as long as West kept winning at home (it won five of its first seven home matches) it appeared safe.

But when it began losing at

Hindmarsh Stadium, relegation became a reality.

But why did this 1980 season go so terribly wrong?

That's difficult to answer, but Chaldi's replacement, the affable Billy Birch, believed the side was too defensive when he took control.

Said Birch, a month before the end of the season: "Unless the lads begin to push forward, and I mean defenders as well as strikers, this club is going to be relegated."

The team responded immediately to Birch's attacking demands, scoring six goals in three games after having gone scoreless in the previous four matches.

Ironically, it reserved one of

its best performances against Marconi for the last day of the season.

The fact it did not score was an indication of the sort of bad luck it had during the season.

Despite Birch's results, he is the man the club and its supporters believe will get it on its feet again.

Birch is greatly admired within the club and State league team Croatia, which he led to this year's championship, for his character, energy, knowledge and straight talking.

One of Birch's main tasks next season is to restore confidence at West Adelaide.

That vital element was missing from most of the season

and played a large part in the club's downfall.

The other big task facing Birch is playing staff.

Birch has already made a list of the players who will be transferred and there are others whom he is looking at closely.

If Birch can galvanise his new squad and extract the sort of performances he expects from it, West could emulate South Melbourne and sweep up the top half of the table.



• Topolanski



• Gale



• Bozanic



• Carruthers

• Norris

SIX GET AXE AT WESTAD

West Adelaide manager-coach

Billy Birch has axed

six members of the

squad which plunged

the club into the

relegation zone

this year.

Defenders Vic Bozanic and Shraga Topolanski, strikers Graham Norris and

Chris Key, midfielder Eric Carruthers and reserve goal-keeper Brian Gale all have

been put on the transfer list. And former Socceroo John Kosmina has signed for

Sydney City. (see page one).

Bozanic is likely to join APLA.

More players could be added to the transfer list if their form and attitude is not good.

Birch said the six players were transfer listed because of lack of form and attitude. He does not believe some of the players acted in the best interests of the club this year.

Birch has begun looking for local, interstate and overseas replacements.

Whoever they are, one thing is certain. They will need to have plenty of fight as well as skill.

Birch said this week: "I don't think there were enough players in the West side who showed the dedication and determination needed to win a league title."

"We need players with the same sort of dedication which Port Adelaide showed in the South Australian Aussie Rules competition."

"Port players were a credit to their club and supporters. That's the way it should be with us."

"In fact, that's the way it's going to be."

Birch was impressed by the way Port destroyed opponents during the 21-match minor round and then went on to win the grand final in difficult circumstances before 33,000 fans.

Birch, who took control of West, for the last five matches of the season, was critical of the club's performances.

"West was fairly negative and unattractive. We want to win the premiership, and we also want to entertain."

"There will be no room for playing staff who do not want to perform."

"Last year there was far too much apathy in the club. That was bad. It's my job to sort it out."

What Birch really wants is for his team to show the sort of spirit that highlighted his brilliant career which began with Crystal Palace in England.

In 1967 he joined Adelaide Croatia and after some scintillating performances he was enticed to West Adelaide, then Hellas in 1968.

The club won the championship that season and

also the Ampol Cup, beating Adelaide City, then Juventus, 2-0 in the final, with Birch scoring the second goal.

He was also the best South Australian player against British club Cardiff City which scored a late 3-2 win over SA.

West repeated its championship success in 1969, '73 and '76, while it won the Ampol Cup a further five times before the PSL was founded.

It also on the top four Coca Cola Cup four times between 1970 and '76.

In all these triumphs, Birch played a significant role, some as a midfielder, others as the club's coach.

Birch, who retired before the PSL began, was asked to replace Mike Johnson in 1977 as caretaker coach.

He left for England soon after but returned a year later with a coaching certificate. However, on his

return he turned his attention to his restaurant business, with great success.

Birch revived his soccer connection in April when he took over troubled Croatia.

He successfully guided the club to its first ever premiership.

Birch continued to coach the club in the last few weeks of the season although he agreed to fill the same duty with West after Gerry Chaldi's removal.

Frank Leyden best

Frank Leyden of North Sydney Inter has won a Holden car as the NSW Federation Coca-Cola Bottlers Player of the Year.

Voting details:

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39 B. Noble (Inter Monaro)

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33 D. Donovan (Parramatta), B. D. Oyle (Manly)

29 J. Steadard (Melita), A. Link (Inter Monaro), J. McDonald (Auburn)

28 P. Ahrens (Avala), G. Lynch (Bankstown)

27 N. Williams (Cant. M'ville), Z. Karfa (Croatia)

25 M. Barton (Avala), A. Scott (Olympic), W. Lachowich (Bankstown)

24 S. Meades (Sutherland), S. Leake (Arnciff), A. Alnalle (Arnciff)

23 D. Allan (Melita), P. Heywood

(Inter Monaro), G. Byles (Cant. M'ville), J. Magill (Ku-Ring-Gal)

22 A. Tracey (Arnciff), I. Rowden (Olympic)

21 P. Henaman (Olympic), A. Dobson (Auburn)

20 A. McMillan (Auburn), M. Haynes (Sutherland), K. Coleman (Croatia), S. Watson (Croatia)

19 G. Brown (Cant. M'ville), V. Deiformo (Sutherland), S. Deiser (Avala)

18 R. Wheatley (Ku-Ring-Gal)

17 J. Bostick (North Sydney), M. Davis (Bankstown), M. Dover (Manly), D. Fox (Manly), J. O'Rourke (North Sydney), P. Vale (Manly), K. Wilson (Olympic)

16 D. Daley (Bankstown), T. Greedy (Melita), B. Kodor (Avala), K. Schumann (Sutherland), B. Taylor (Ku-Ring-Gal), J. Wignall (Arnciff)

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13 T. Bartram (Auburn), M. Berry (Melita), M. Gross (Olympic), J. Doyle (Arnciff), B. Parker (Melita), N. Porter (North Sydney), A. Robertson (Ku-Ring-Gal)

12 P. Jones (Ku-Ring-Gal), G. Maier (Olympic), R. Stuart (Manly), K. Smith (Ku-Ring-Gal), G. Townsend (Manly)

11 B. Vidale (Croatia), S. McDonald (Melita), T. McCulloch (Bankstown), C. Peck (Bankstown), R. Smith (Sutherland), B. Cagall (Croatia), V. Davill (Melita), C. Eaton (Olympic), A. Kovacic (Croatia), S. Wilson (North Sydney)

10 N. Antonopoulos (Inter Monaro), L. Bates (Parramatta), G. Crawford (Inter Monaro), J. Forwood (Parramatta), M. Harrington (Sutherland), D. Jack (Manly), D. Lang (Olympic), H. Martinez (Auburn), M. Stephenson (Parramatta), P. Thompson (Bankstown)

Hunter, Blanco signed

Raul Blanco and Ian Hunter are now officially with Marconi.

Club president Tony Labbozzetta last week announced that Blanco had been signed as coach and that Hunter had been secured from Blacktown City.

Blanco, who coached St. George this year, replaces Les Scheinflug.

Youth international Hunter will link up with Peter Sharpe and Mark Jankovics in Marconi's attack, with Eddie Krncevic coming from behind.

The addition of Hunter probably will make it even more difficult for Roberto Vieri to get into the Marconi team.

Scheinflug quit over pressure from committee members to include Vieri.



Ian Hunter with the trophy the Australian youth team won by beating an all-star selection in Canberra before the PSL final.

APIA or Adelaide?

Where will Adelaide City striker Colin Barnes play next year?

APIA is confident that Barnes, now holidaying in his native England, will join APIA on his return to Australia.

"Colin is very disillusioned with Australian soccer at present," said APIA secretary Mr. Ambrose.

"But should he return to Australia he will be an APIA player. We've agreed on terms," he ended.

I rang Mr. Ursini, secretary

of Adelaide City to get further details of the deal between the clubs but he was surprised by my enquiry.

"Who is this Mr. Ambrose?" Ursini asked me.

When I informed him that Ambrose was the secretary of APIA, Ursini replied:

"Well he's talking through his hat!"

"If Colin comes back to

Australia he'll play for us," Ursini continued.

"He (Barnes) is not disillusioned with Australian soccer. Indeed he left for his holiday on particularly good terms with Adelaide City."

"The difference between us and APIA is that we have a piece of paper which gives credence to our view that Colin is and will continue to be an Adelaide City player," he ended.

If Barnes returns it is likely that he will have to do some explaining to both camps. — CRAIG MACKENZIE

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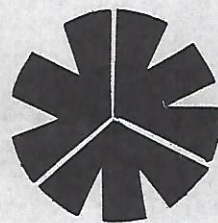
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Arthur McMillan. best of the full backs



This shot by Arthur McMillan (left) is about to be blocked by Richie Bell (Sydney Olympic)

Before "Soccer Action" closes its 1980 season I wish to pay tribute to a splendid full back, Arthur McMillan.

In a Heidelberg team of stars McMillan receives less than his share of limelight.

On the scattered occasions I have seen Heidelberg play he always has given a solid performance amid the outstanding skills of Paton, Cole, Tansey, Campbell, Bozikas, Rooney and Selemidis.

It was not till I watched an Heidelberg poor performance in the Philips Cup final against Marconi earlier this month that I realised what a good player McMillan was.

He along with Pat Bannon and Jamie Paton, were the only ones who really played for Heidelberg that night.

There was total commitment from McMillan the whole evening, in stark contrast with the lack of application and effort by top striker Gary Cole.

McMillan contains players well and tackles them even better.

He is fit and ever ready to break forward, even though he does not



MIKE JOHNSON

have the same fluency of movement of Jim Tansey in possession of the ball.

He knows the game and passes on information to team mates around him.

He obviously is a great competitor.

Despite my very high regard for Steve Perry, going on McMillan's display against Marconi, there would not be a full back in the country to outmatch him at this moment.

Of course Perry is 28 as against the 32 of McMillan which obviously gives him the edge in national team considerations.

However, I am pleased to see that Rudi Gutendorf also has been impressed with McMillan's end-of-season form and rates him as a

national team squad possible, despite his age.

It is strange how players like McMillan can be taken for granted because they play well week in week out, with unspectacular performances, and consequently do not reach star status.

It is also strange how players over 30 years, like McMillan's team mate Jim Rooney, are looked at with much more critical eyes than those under that seemingly magic age barrier.

Despite playing out of position against Marconi in a wide midfield role, Jimmy Rooney gave me the distinct impression that there is still enough running in him to allow all his other qualities of leadership, foraging, passing and ball winning skills, to surface in World Cup competition.

Similarly Arthur McMillan, if he can maintain his end-of-season form next year, will surely have a lot to offer the national team squad.

Specifically he will offer the following: total commitment, total competitiveness, the tremendous fitness that goes hand in hand with those qualities, dedicated professionalism allied with sufficient skill in attack and defence to mix comfortably with international class players.

That to me sounds like a player I would love to have in any team of mine.

NIGHT OF THE BOSSES

"Official of the Year" awards would have been a more appropriate title for the gala Press dinner at Sydney's Menzies Hotel.

Officials were there in abundance, but you could count the players on the fingers of one hand.

The Pressmen themselves were most disappointed.

After all, these presentations — the fourth since the PSL started in 1977 — were introduced for the players, not the officials.

Yet I saw only Jim Hermiston of Brisbane Lions, Gary Cole and Jimmy Rooney of Heidelberg and a table of Sydney City players.

There wasn't a single player from Marconi, the Philips Cup winner, nor from APLA, Canberra, West Adelaide, Adelaide City, Footscray, Newcastle, St. George, Blacktown, South Melbourne or Brisbane City.

It turned out to be a night for the bosses, not for the players.

Yet I remember the first of these Press nights, at Melbourne's Hilton Hotel, in 1977, when players from all over Australia were there.

What's happened since? If the bosses are pushing out the players, the next step will be that they will push out the men who made these awards possible in the first place — the Pressmen themselves!

The painful fact is that the night at the Menzies was flat, dull and uninspiring.

The Prime Minister, who was guest of honor, deserved better. At least he should have been given the chance to meet a few players!

Hermiston was judged Player of the Year and his speech was a delight. That's what the Press wanted — color, something to write about. John Margaritis, the coach of the year, and John Spanos, the best under 21 player, also handled themselves

very well and I congratulate all of them.

I also congratulate Heidelberg and Sydney City for at least having taken players to the function.

The bosses wonder why it is that the game gets insufficient publicity, yet on a night like this, they push their most marketable commodity — the players — into the background.

I take my hat off to all the officials and to the work they do in the game, but they must get their priorities right. No-one cares what a club official has to say at a function like this.

However, if a player speaks, his words have a good chance of getting into the newspapers.

It was sad that we did not even see all the past winners of the ASPA awards — Ivo Prskalo, Eddie Krncevic, John Kosmina, for example. It is imperative that in future all past winners are invited, as they are to the Rothmans Medal dinners.

In its invitations to clubs, ASPA must stipulate that there should be only one official per club and that the rest must be players.

World Cup competition is not for the young or the old, but for the very best, regardless of age.

It is with this in mind that I wish the Socceroos and coach Rudi Gutendorf the best of luck on their current world tour.

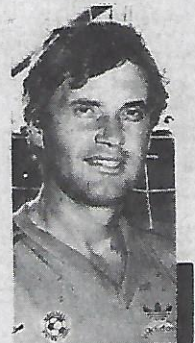
Many of the players are inexperienced at top level, and not as mature as they should be.

The players who saw us through the 1973-74 World Cup campaign had a greater degree of maturity and experience, as well as the right temperament for top competition.

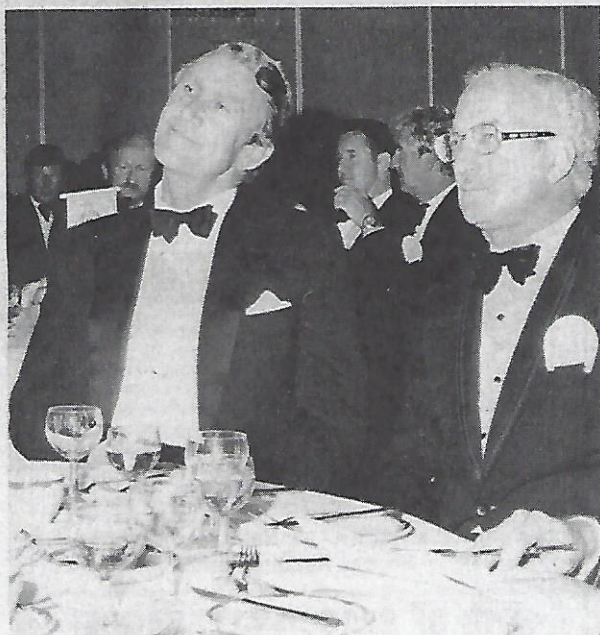
Much has been said and written about the current youth policy in the national squad. To me, this is absolute hogwash.

I repeat — World Cups are for the best. They are not testing grounds for promising youngsters.

I have been following



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Pick the PM's mood: wistfulness, condescension, sheer delight or perhaps a degree of boredom with the whole show? At right is Ted Simmons, president of the NSW branch of the Australian Soccer Press Association.



Andrew Lederer (left) with the Philips championship shield won by his club Sydney City. At right is Philips Industries executive E. Meijerink.



Mr. Meijerink presents the PSL grand final trophy to Heidelberg president Jim Mangopoulos.



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In the dressing rooms during the Victoria Cup, from left: David Watt, Paul Kay and David Mitchell.



Midfielders Jim Patikas (left) and Peter Raskopoulos

THE SQUAD

The Australian Youth squad which leaves on 3 December for Fiji to compete in the Oceania youth tournament:

GOALKEEPERS: Glen Ahern (Brisbane Lions), Dennis Ivanac (Spearwood Dalmatinac, WA)

FULL BACKS: Robert Wheatley (Ku-ring-gai), Brett Woods (Sydney City)

CENTRE BACKS: Oscar Crino (Juventus, Vic.), Gerardo Gomez (Sydney City), Craig McLatchey (Frenchville Utd, Qld), Steve Blair (South Melbourne Hellas), David Watt (APIA)

MIDFIELDERS: Jim Patikas (Sydney City), David Skeen, Paul Kay (St. George), John Little (Altona City, Vic.), Peter Raskopoulos (Marconi), Vlatko Belic (Footscray J.U.S.T.)

FORWARDS: Ian Hunter (Blacktown), Calvin Daunt (Brisbane Lions), David Mitchell (Adelaide City)

To be added for the Israeli international youth tournament (depart 22 December): Grant Lee (Sydney City), Tony Radford (Para Hill, SA).



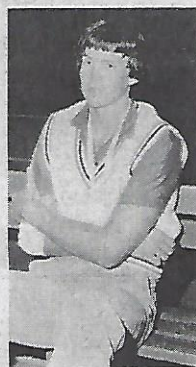
Craig McLatchey gets treatment after being injured in a Victoria Cup match.



Youth team striker Ian Hunter and Canberra City's John O'Shea slide at the ball, which eludes both of them.



Goalkeeper Dennis Ivanac.



Glenn Ahern, nursing the arm he injured against Footscray.

FINE YOUTH TEAM IS TAKING SHAPE

The structure of the national youth team has started to emerge in the Victoria Cup series and it will become more clearly defined in Fiji and Israel over the next two months.

The team has speed in attack (Ian Hunter and David Mitchell), strength and height down the middle (Oscar Crino, Steve Blair, Gerardo Gomez, Vlatko Belic), a midfield leader (Peter Raskopoulos) and two absolutely brilliant goalkeepers (Dennis Ivanac and Glenn Ahern).

Not a bad start. Now these players must be moulded together into a unit and they must give a match plan.

Looking at the players available, it seems to me that the best combination would be:

Ivanac — Crino — Wheatley, Gomez, Blair, Skeen — Kay, Belic, Raskopoulos — Hunter, Mitchell.

I favor two centre backs so as to give the greatest possible over to Crino who must attack from the sweeper's position, as he is one of the finest players in the squad.

When Crino is back, either Gomez or Blair can move up with the attack.

And the presence of two centre backs also ensures that a man is handy to cover for either full back when that full back attacks.

Hunter and Mitchell are devastating on the break, and all three midfielders

are capable of linking up quickly with the front-runners.

The aim must be to prepare now for the tough opposition we will encounter from teams like England, Rumania, Holland, Italy and Poland in the world youth finals late next year.

The players must settle into a match plan during the tournaments in Fiji and Israel in order to be proficient at it by the time of the finals.

They certainly have the ability.

Paul Kay, although a little small, has one of the finest football brains in the country.

Vlatko Belic is brilliant in the air, he can run all day and he is developing a reputation as a very tough competitor in the PSL, where most of his opponents are much older.

Steve Blair has dealt capably even with Gary Cole, he tackles very well,



LAURIE SCHWAB

he's fast and almost unbeatable in the air.

Gerardo Gomez may not be as strong a tackler or as close a marker, but he's extremely skilful.

Dave Skeen is a multipurpose player who can operate equally as well at full back as in midfield. He reads the play very well.

The other full back, Robert Wheatley, has excellent attacking qualities while never losing sight of his defensive responsibilities and Raskopoulos, as stated earlier, is the all-action midfield leader who operates with equal proficiency in any area of the field.

The same can be said of Paul Kay, but he is at his best attacking the goal.

Ian Hunter and David Mitchell are explosive strikers with great speed. Hunter is the more experienced player, and a more regular scorer, Mitchell is slightly faster, but also a little more impulsive.

Hunter has the strength and ball control to act as a target man, going first to ground passes, and laying them off first-time to a man going by. In this way he could service Mitchell on the run, or Kay, Raskopoulos or Belic moving through.

I favor Ivanac in goal only because of the brilliant performance I saw from his against Johnny Warren's all-star team in the curtain-raiser to the PSL grand final in Canberra, but Ahern is equally as good.

Clearly, the goalkeeping position is not a problem.

IN the Victoria Cup, the youth players may have found the greater strength of their senior opponents

difficult to counter, yet they still managed 1-1 draws with J.U.S.T. and Juventus.

If physical strength comes into play during the world youth finals, the Australians will have the advantage.

Meanwhile, the young Socceroos leave for Fiji on 3 December and should return unbeaten on 15 December.

They will play in Pool Two against Tahiti and New Caledonia. Pool One comprises New Zealand, Papua-New Guinea and Fiji.

Then it's off again to Israel on 22 December to compete against Norway, Israel, Rumania, Denmark and Sweden.

If they can expect a heroes' welcome on their return on 13 January.



Youth star Gerardo Gomez (left) pictured in Sydney City colors, with Footscray's Jim O'Reilly.



Youth team stopper Steve Blair (left) in action for Hellas against Footscray.

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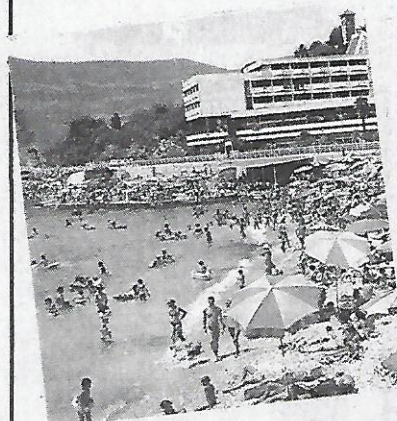
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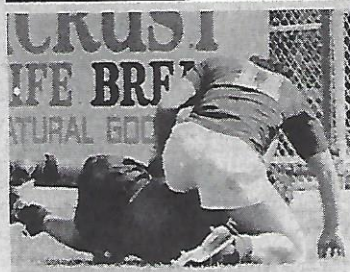


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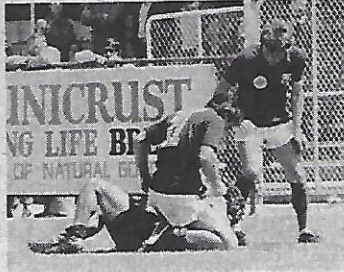
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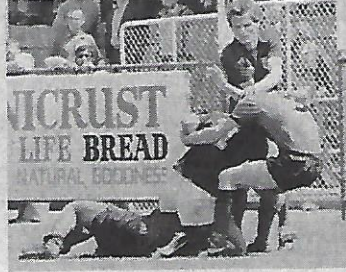
Zdravko Lujic crashes down onto Ljube Petrovski in the J.U.S.T. v Macedonia match at Middle Park.



Slobodan Jovanovic (left) races in to lend a hand but Lujic seems quite capable of coping.



So Jovanovic acts as prizefight supervisor — keep those fists closed, no gouging.



Makedonia's Steve Beech moves in to help Petrovski who's still floored, but Jovanovic reckons there's no need for two referees.

LUCCHESI, JOVANOVIC, LUIJIC OFF

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

MAKEDONIA 4 (McMillan 2, Ollerton, Cullen) J.U.S.T. 1 (Ilioski) at Middle Park, crowd about 5,000.

MAKEDONIA: Kastner 8 — Rainey 8, Higham 7, Petrovski 8, Beech 7 — Cunningham 7, Faulkner 8, Lucchesi 8 (sent off 76th) — Cullen 8, Ollerton 8, McMillan 8. J.U.S.T.: Boland 8 — Petrov 8, Kondarios 8, Kyriakoulas 8, Milne 7 — Ilioski 7, Jovanovic 5 (sent off 76th), Piccone 5, Rujovic 5 (Cazzella h.t. 7) — Simic 7 (Vasic h.t. 6), Lujic 6.

Referee: Jack Readshaw 8.

This game had everything — right hooks, left jabs, fierce uppercuts, kicking and spitting — and the Makedonia players took time off to treat the large crowd to some superb soccer studded with a brilliant goal in the first half.

The all-in brawl which broke out in the second half brought into the open the anger which had until then remained in check as these two sides tackled fiercely.

The final result, 4-1 to Makedonia, vindicated Makedonia's tireless running, tackling and harassing which J.U.S.T. was incapable of matching.

If J.U.S.T. needed a signal for a buying spree for next year's PSL season, this debacle should register loud and clear in the club's hierarchy. Late in the game Makedonia right back Mike Rainey executed three cheeky back heels to emphasise his side's superiority.

The game opened with Lujic and Simic playing wide up front.

The likely plan was for one, perhaps two midfielders to burst forward into space in attacking positions but they failed to do so.

The most effective J.U.S.T. played was Kiri Kyriakoulas, a fierce competitor who never gave an inch.

In the 14th minute Makedonia hit the front.

A well thought long ball from sweeper Ljube Petrovski went to Claude Lucchesi wide on the left. He played the ball inside to Rob Cullen. The Makedonia dynamo flicked the ball into the area, Zoran Ilioski missed when trying to intercept and Peter Ollerton was given a golden chance to score from 10 metres. He steadied and rifled a low shot straight at Dennis Boland who was unable to stop the ball from going under his body and into goal.

J.U.S.T.'s first promising raid came from a Joe Piccone far post corner which was headed wide by Jim Kondarios.

Then Makedonia sent J.U.S.T. reeling with the goal of the game.

Ollerton gained possession just inside his own half. He looked up and saw Cullen inch perfect 40 metre pass in behind the square J.U.S.T. defence. Cullen outstripped

Kyriakoulas and lobbed the ball over the head of the advancing Boland. Kyriakoulas ran behind his keeper and cleared at the ball trying to clear but it beat him over the line.

Two minutes later Ollerton took advantage of Kondarios's slip and crossed low to the near post but George McMillan's first time side footed attempt went inches wide.

Yet J.U.S.T. brought life back into the game with a 36th minute goal manufactured from Simic's perseverance and a misunderstanding between Lou Kastner and John Higham.

Simic shrugged off a challenge and curled the ball across goal way from Kastner who hesitated then committed himself. Higham decided to go for the ball at the last minute but he got muddled up with Kastner and the loose ball was struck home by Ilioski about 15 metres out.

A couple of minutes later Lujic shrugged off Petrovski and crossed low to the near post. Mirko Rujovic ran in and cracked the ball toward goal but his shot was deflected over.

Then Slobodan Jovanovic beat two men and pushed the ball to Lujic on a diagonal run across Makedonia's area. Kastner read the situation quickly and was off his line to beat Lujic to the ball.

J.U.S.T. started the second half with Dragan Vasic and Bruno Cazzella up front in its 4-3 formation.

The game could have been levelled in the 63rd minute.

Cazzella turned Beech and took off down the right. He crossed to Vasic who turned about eight metres out and shot. The ball rocketed against a Makedonia defender and rebounded to Ilioski whose hard 15 metre shot was parried by Kastner.

The game started to show signs of getting out of hand when McMillan and Piccone were booked for pushing in the Makedonia area.

In the 70th minute Cullen beat Kondarios on the right and cut the ball back across goal to Ollerton. He hesitated, moved inside and struck a 15 metre shot against the bottom of the far upright. The ball rebounded to McMillan who slid down in customary fashion and tapped it home from three metres.

J.U.S.T. was well beaten in the general play but it finished off in another kind of contest which marred the 75th minute.

Lujic and Petrovski challenged for the ball wide on

J.U.S.T.'s left. As the ball rolled out of play the two players grabbed each other and fell over the sideline. They started to punch and kick each other until Lujic sat on top of Petrovski and let fly with both fists. This heralded the appearance of at least eight players from either side who punched, kicked and spat at each other until referee Readshaw gained control. When the dust settled Petrovski was conspicuous by his absence and Lucchesi, Jovanovic and Lujic were sent off.

But Makedonia had the last laugh in the 84th minute.

Faulkner crossed from the right to McMillan at the far post. Boland came out, missed with his attempted clearing punch and McMillan headed into the unguarded goal.

In the 92nd minute Jim Milne was judged to have handled but McMillan blew his chance of grabbing a hat-trick by blasting his penalty try many metres over the bar.

The final analysis showed Makedonia with a thoroughly deserved win and J.U.S.T. wondering what it must do to compete successfully against its conqueror in the 1981 PSL.



Jeff Faulkner
Faulkner best, says club

Preston Makedonia has not one but three best and fairest players.

Midfielder Jeff Faulkner won the award on club votes, while Rob Cullen and George McMillan polled most referees' votes.

Makedonia is likely to import up to three players from overseas to strengthen its squad for the 1981 PSL season.

All of its present players are permanent residents, so Makedonia is able to import the full quota of three.



Makedonia's Peter Ollerton (right), playing against his former team, has a shot at the J.U.S.T. goal. At left is Jim Milne.

Nothing at stake

HELLAS 1 (Kakantonis) HAKOAH 1 (Webster) at Middle Park, crowd about 5,000.

HELLAS: Tsigras 7 — Bannan 8, Xanthopoulos 8, Blair 8, Lutton 8 — Nicolaidou 7, Rogers 7, Wright 6 — Evans 8, Kakantonis 8 (Amaralidis 88th), Buljevic 6. HAKOAH: Fryzzer 8 — Gadabry 7, Dosen 8, Jordanou 9, Rooney 7 — Bannan 7, French 8, McNeil 6 — Webster 8, McCharles 7, Kent 7. Referee: Jim Teasm 7.

Hellas and Hakoah were playing to decide first and second spots in their section because they both had gained a semi-final berth before this game.

As it turned out a 1-1 draw kept Hakoah on top of the section and gave Hellas the task of confronting Makedonia in one of this Saturday night's semi-finals.

Hellas opened with Steve Blair as stopper, Arthur Xanthopoulos as sweeper and Bertie Lutton at left back.

Hellas is not as impressive when Lutton is removed from his customary sweeper's role and it failed to flatter against Hakoah.

Hakoah had the first good chance when Sammy Wright was robbed but Chris Kent's low shot from 25 metres went straight to Lou Tsigras.

Hakoah struck first in the 25th minute.

Rogers passed back to Tsigras but Richie McClunzie was first to the ball. Tsigras put McClunzie under pressure and the ball ran loose to Bannan on Hakoah's right. He crossed to the near post as Tsigras tried in vain to recover. Stan Webster ran in and hammered the ball home from three metres.

It wasn't surprising to see Hakoah lead because Hellas was struggling to find openings up front.

But Hellas struck back thanks to a piece of Evans magic in the 38th minute.

The former Liverpool striker turned brilliantly inside the area leaving Dosen floundering. Evan's hard right foot shot was parried by Mike Fryzzer to the feet of Steve Kakantonis who had little difficulty in tapping home from close range.

The second half barely warranted reporting.

In the 65th minute Bill Jordanou and Evans took turns at kicking the ball into each other. Both earned a caution.

Hakoah had the best chance of this half. A long ball by Jordanou was misheaded by Xanthopoulos and Webster pounced but Tsigras smothered well.

Otherwise both defences were on top and neither side showed enough flair or creativity to break through.

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Jimmy Dunne

Jimmy Dunne gets anxious

Former Eire international Jimmy Dunne still is undecided about his future in Australian soccer.

Two weeks ago Dunne handed a letter to Ajax president Guy Spiteri in which the 1980 Bill Fleming Medal Winner expressed his dissatisfaction with his present position and his desire to join a PSL club.

"Ajax got me for nothing and I want to go," said Dunne.

"In the letter which I gave to Guy I stated my intentions clearly. I'll hang on until some time in December and if my position at Ajax is not resolved by then I'll pack up and go home," he added.

"If Ajax asks too much for me and I hear of deals falling through because of my prohibitive price then the club can pay the air fares for me and my family to go back home," he added.

The return air fare arrangement is part of Dunne's contract with Ajax.

Last Saturday night Dunne spoke to Brisbane City coach George Potter who had already expressed interest in signing him.

It is believed that a prominent Brisbane City official rang Guy Spiteri last night (Tuesday) to discuss Dunne's future.

Don't be surprised to find Makedonia joining the race to sign the experienced sweeper.



John Higham expresses disapproval with Jovanovic's views, but team mate Mike Rainey wants Higham to keep his cool. The real referee, Jack Readshaw (left) moves in now, along with Claude Lucchesi who connects with Lujic's rear end.



And here comes Makedonia goalkeeper Lou Kastner (No. 1) and J.U.S.T.'s Joe Picioane (far left). Now Beech is tangled between Lujic's legs and Petrovski prepares to fade out of the scene (third from left).



Strongman George McMillan (No.9) arrives to restrain Lujic - and who would argue with McMillan? Joe Picioane, that's who - he's yelling at the lot of them. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.

McGUINNESS BACK FOR THE BIG ONE?

Dissident Juventus star Bobby McGuinness may play for Juve in tonight's (Wednesday's) all important Victoria Cup match against J.U.S.T. at 7 pm.

At Middle Park last Sunday Hellas president Sam Papisavas met with Juve president George Penzo to discuss terms for the possible transfer of McGuinness to Hellas.

This was an amazing turn-around in the fortunes of the 1980 Rothmans Medal winner who was sold by Hellas in 1979 to Juventus for \$3,000. It is believed that Hellas players Steve Kakantonis and Sammy Wright were offered in a straight swap for McGuinness.

But Juve was unhappy with the deal after Kakantonis's poor showing against Hakoah last Sunday. Hellas then offered \$5,000 for McGuinness but Juve was looking for much more.

McGuinness has been in dispute with Juve since he was asked to apologise for his action in getting changed at half time of the Victoria Cup match against Makedonia.

He is adamant that he won't apologise but he has found himself popular once more with the Juve hierarchy. Could his return to Juve have anything to do with Juve's surprising Victoria Cup efforts which may culminate in a semi-final spot after tonight's game?

If J.U.S.T. is held to a draw and Makedonia defeats the youths J.U.S.T., Juventus and the youths will finish equal on two points and goal difference will decide which side grabs a semi-final berth.

After last weekend's 4-1 thrashing from Makedonia J.U.S.T. must defeat Juve convincingly. Juve is experimenting with youngsters but it did well against the youth team last week.

The refreshing aspect of Juve's effort was the enthusiasm shown by regular first team players who have failed to put so much into some league games this year.

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

In midfield J.U.S.T. must improve on last Sunday's effort by at least 50%.

Zoran Illoski, Joe Picioane and Mirko Rujevic will have to work a great deal harder than they have in recent weeks.

With two strikers playing so wide it is essential that at least one midfielder breaks forward into space left in central attacking areas.

Illoski was the only J.U.S.T. midfielder to get into shooting situations last Sunday. Much more will be expected of his fellow midfielders tonight.

The key to Juve's chances rest with the talented Tony Heery and the enigmatic Mendo Ristovski. If they decide to turn it on it won't be one way traffic with J.U.S.T. in command.

The second match features the Australian youths against Makedonia.

Had Makedonia something to play for I wouldn't have given the youths any chance but with its top of the section status intact irrespective of the outcome of this match Makedonia may relax.

Perhaps coach Brian Edgley will take this opportunity to rest a couple of his stars and play youngsters instead.

The youths will likely rely upon the Calvin Daunt - David Mitchell partnership which looked good in the second half of last week's match against Juventus.

Mitchell scored a brilliant solo goal in that match and he started to look dangerous in the second half when feeding off Daunt's ability to win in the air.

If John Higham tags the huge Queenslander he will find Daunt a handful. Paul Kay, Peter Raskopoulos and Jim Patikas would be a great midfield combination for the youths and ensure a worthy performance against the 1980 Victorian State League champion.

I think the youths can salvage a draw here but not without some stout defence.

The boy who tags Rob Cullen will know he's been in a tough game when the referee blows for full time.

MAKEDONIA MEETS HELLAS IN SEMIS

Hellas runs head-first into mighty Makedonia in the main game of Saturday's Victoria Cup semi-finals at Olympic Park.

The large crowd should be treated to the highlight of the Victoria Cup as Makedonia tries to claim its second PSL victim in consecutive matches.

Duncan Cummings and George Campbell could return to the Hellas line-up to bring the side near to full strength.

Makedonia overcame J.U.S.T. with ease last Sunday but the third placed PSL side for 1980, Hellas, represents a far bigger hurdle for Brian Edgley's team.

Rob Cullen, George McMillan and Peter Ollerton are Makedonia's trumps.

Their opponents, probably Vince Bannon, Arthur Xanthopoulos, Bertie Luton and Chris Kalafatis, are a steady defensive quartet but this contest will be decided in midfield.

Jeff Faulkner and Claude Lucchesi are tireless workers and Sammy Wright and Bill Rogers will have their work cut out.

But Makedonia must look

after Campbell who roams everywhere and that task is a fearsome prospect.

With Gordon Flavell unavailable due to his overseas trip, Ljube Petrovski is the best bet for sweeper. Petrovski also is the best player to tag Campbell so where will Edgley play him?

Makedonia looks short staffed without Flavell and Gary Ward and I expect Hellas to sneak into the final.

Hakoah will play in the other Victorian Cup semi-final but its opponent was yet to be decided as we went to press.

Tonight's (Wednesday's) games at Olympic Park will decide Hakoah's opponent.

Hakoah has been one of the surprises of the cup.

Against Hellas last Sunday the defence looked solid with Anton Dosen and Bill Jordanou combining well in the central defensive position and Steve Gadsby and Sean Rooney playing intelligently in their full back roles.

Jordanou has been Hakoah's best player so far in the cup. He's fast and aggressive. Combine these qualities with his excellent football sense and you have one of the most underrated sweepers in Victoria.

Richard McClunie and Stan Webster are fast developing into a good striking combination.

McClunie's aerial ability is complimented by Webster's ability on the ground and the two show a keen understanding.

Grahame French plays deep and Chris Kent often drops back in support of his midfielders. I'd like to see Kent get forward more often because there's no doubting his shooting ability but Hakoah is doing well so far in the Victorian Cup with French and Kent coming deep so there's no real reason for change.

New boys shine

JUVENTUS 1 (Incantulupo) YOUTH TEAM 1 (Mitchell) at Olympic Park, crowd about 200.

JUVENTUS: Fantoma 9 - DI Quattro 8, Cavallari 8 (in), Roggero 8 (in), Creany 8, Scardamaglia 7 - Sabidussi 8, Santopoli 7, Henry 8, Ristovski 8, Incantulupo 8, Salvatore 7.

YOUTHS: Ahearn 8 - Lee 9 (McKie 7th), Crino 8, Blair 7, Woods 8 - Kay 9, Patikas 8, Gomez 7, Little 8, Mitchell 8, Belic 8 (Daunt H.T.).

Referee: Sam Zournas 5.

Juventus swept away the memory of its recent upheavals with a spirited display against the Youths who lacked the composure and organisation of their first Victorian Cup outing against J.U.S.T.

With the exception of Tony Heery, Mendo Ristovski and

John Creany, Juve had an all Italian line-up and newcomers John Di Quattro, Joe Scardamaglia and Vittorio Salvatore put everything into their game.

Playing conditions were poor.

Blinding rain and about 30 spectators greeted both teams as they ran onto the field.

The Youths tried two long range shots early and the damp surface meant the ball skid suddenly. Alex Fantoma in the Juve goal made sure to get his body firmly behind the ball.

In the 14th minute strong pleas for a penalty from many Juventus players went unheeded by referee Zournas.

Heery went on a run into the Youths area. As Grant Lee came cross to challenge Heery

played the ball forward and kept going. Lee slid down and across Heery's path and the Juve midfielder went down to no avail.

Two minutes later Jim Patikas tapped the ball to his right to Gerardo Gomez on the overlay. The long striding Sydney City defender slammed a hard, first time shot onto the bar and over but it was the first promising move from the youngsters.

Lee gained possession on the half way line in the 23rd minute. He played the ball inside to John Little and took off for the Juve area. Little switched play to Brett Woods overlapping down the left. He crossed low and hard to Lee who slid down but struck the ball fractionally wide of the near post.

Juve's attacks consisted of two longrange shots from central striker Fabio Incantulupo in the first 30 minutes.

Lee was bursting forward in support of his team mates further afield, but Vlatko Belic and David Mitchell were hardly sighted. Oscar Crino was not pushing up in his libero role.

Juve should have taken the lead in the 36th minute.

Glenn Ahearn failed to clear effectively from a Heery corner. The ball ran to Bruno Sabidussi on the edge of the area. He chipped the ball over Ahearn who was desperately trying to recover but Steve Blair headed over the line to avert the threat.

Paul Key turned Scardamaglia inside out and took off down the right. From close to the line he cut the ball back into Belic's path but the J.U.S.T. youngster mistimed his attempt to sidefoot home and the ball sailed harmlessly high and wide.

Just on half time Juve hit the front.

Ristovski crossed from the right to Incantulupo at the far post. He had left Blair far behind and his controlled header bounced over the line just inside the far upright.

Calvin Daunt replaced the out of sorts Belic at half time and immediately the Youths looked dangerous.

But Juve threatened to catch out the Youths on the break. Heery had moved up front and Ristovski burst into the game.

For all their forward impetus the Youths looked frustrated and ill at ease until Mitchell scored from a superb solo effort.

The Adelaide City youngster gained possession about 20 metres from Juve's area. He turned and set off for goal. Tiziano Vacallari, having a fine game as sweeper, tried to cut across Mitchell but was left in his wake. Scardamaglia was next to flounder and within a flash the young striker found himself 10 metres from goal but on a difficult angle on his left. With the outside of his right boot he stroked the ball past Fantoma, who had been drawn to the near post, and inside the far upright.

The goal spurred the Youths to add to the pressure on Fantoma but the Juve keeper made a series of breathtaking saves, especially from two shots by Little, and the game deservedly ended in a draw.

GRAIG MACKENZIE

Kerr going?

CROATIA 4 (Tront 2, Kerr, Keenan) AJAX 0 at Olympic Park, crowd about 200.

CROATIA: Kovac 8 - Short 7, Klavin 7, Adams 9, Isak 7 - Tront 8, Kerr 8, Murphy 7 - Radovic 8 (Keenan 8th), Gilder 7, Grgec 6.

AJAX: Lukac 7 (Denys h.t. 7) - Hengst 7, Dunn 7, Keenan 7, Gilly 7, Gamba 6 (Seranic 7th), Vassallo 8, Velle 7 - Mancinelli 6 (Donallo h.t. 7), Volek 7, Belier 7.

Referee: Mike Gault 8.

I don't know why the Croatia and Ajax reserves didn't play in the curtain-raiser to the big game between the Youths and Juventus.

Why didn't Evan Venios, the fourth official, allow Croatia reserve Peter Blasby to come on in the second half?

Where has Croatia been hiding Brian Keenan this year?

Croatia took the field without John Gardiner, "Butch" Kokoska, Peter Blasby, Noel Mitten, Ante Blavner and Howard Andrews.

Ajax was without Grant Smart, John Patten, Gerry Bennett, Andy Segi, Steve Benne, Dave Perkin and Bill Morrey.

Their absence was an indication of the importance both camps placed upon this match.

Croatia and Ajax had little to play for and produced less.

Croatia didn't have to work hard for its 4-0 win and Blasby and young Keenan provided some of the more interesting moments in an easily forgettable encounter.

Blasby set nonchalantly upon the reserve bench until half way through the second half.

He disappeared into the players' area and reappeared shortly after wearing Croatia's No. 15 strip.

Blasby gave one of the most interesting warm-up displays of the season by looping up and down the 100 metre track in front of the grandstand much to the amusement of the handful of Croatian supporters who braved the wet and windy conditions to watch their team.

When he was satisfied that he was fully warmed up and ready to dazzle us all Venios, sitting at the official substitutes table on the half way line, decided that the Croatia first team keeper could not go on.

There was a simple solution. Blasby could have replaced second string keeper Chris Kovac and feigned a hand injury whenever he first gained possession.

An outfield player could

have switched strips with Blasby who could have shown his outfield prowess as planned.

Unfortunately we will never know whether Blasby could have turned it on and sent PSL talent scouts into a frenzied battle to sign the most adaptable top class player in Australian soccer history.

The highlights of the early exchanges were being able to fit in the press box and clearly hear Ajax coach Bobby McLachlan shouting instructions to his players and Bill Vojtek's two great chances which saw Kovac at his best in the Croatia goal.

Joe Tront strolled into the game and hammered a shot from a short free kick. The ball was deflected past Mike Lukac who had no chance of saving.

Just on half time Alan Kerr played the ball back to Ivan Grgas who tapped it square to Tront. He moved inside the area and hammered a low shot inside the far upright.

Almost unbelievable Jimmy Dunne was booked in the 58th minute.

Brian Keenan came on in the 66th minute and put life into the dying game.

Kerr scored in the last serious game he is likely to play with Croatia. Rumors suggest he will return to Perth to resume his career, perhaps with Azzuri. He was on the end of Carl Gilder's lay off in the 71st minute and slammed the ball toward goal. Denys, who had replaced Lukac at half time, got a hand to the ball but it shot into the roof of the net.

Keenan scored the goal of the game in the 78th minute.

He exploded down the right and rifled the ball into the near corner of goal before Denys could react.

With certain Croatia players keen to try the PSL next year talent like Keenan's could be the spur which maintains the club's proud record of excellence.

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Stewart Cunningham hooks the ball out for a corner before J.U.S.T. forwards Bruno Cozzella (left) and Dragan Vasic can do any damage.

South Melbourne Hellas: aiming for title in '81

By
**CRAIG
MACKENZIE**

If a proud history ever becomes the prime criterion for success, Victorian PSL club South Melbourne Hellas will be one of the top teams in Australia every soccer season.

But the reality of success is steeped in the performances of the present and after the near disastrous season of 1979 Hellas has risen dramatically to grab third place on the 1980 PSL ladder.

Coach John Margaritis has gained great prestige for being at the helm of Hellas's rise from the dead by winning the Australian Soccer Press Association's Coach of the Year award at the recent annual presentation night in Sydney.

Margaritis beat a well-credentialed field of contestants and his win represented Press acknowledgment of the effort involved in coaching a side whose morale was in tatters after finishing last in the 1979 PSL race.

The Tony Turner affair robbed Hellas of its team spirit, according to club president Sam Pappasavas, a Melbourne City Councillor.

Turner played in the opening games but the PSL ruled he was ineligible to play and Hellas lost the points accumulated before the PSL ruling and slumped to last place on the ladder.

"After the Turner affair things went against us," said Pappasavas.

"Our morale was low on and off the field and once this develops you start to act like a loser," he continued. "The players could have done better but they were up against it once they lost their confidence."

"We had the talent but they just didn't produce."

Talent is a word synonymous with the history of Hellas. Indeed, few clubs could boast the name players which have worn the blue and white of Hellas over the past 20 years or more.

Heading Hellas's talent list is the great Con Nestoridis, the finest striker Greece has produced since the war and a star with AEK and the Greek national team.

In 1966 Nestoridis joined Hellas at the age of 37 and crowds immediately doubled.

Present coach Margaritis came to Hellas as a player with a fine reputation which he certainly justified.

Jim Adam, who coached Sydney Olympic this year, was another Hellas great.

He joined the club striker stunts with Luton Town, Aston Villa and Stoke City.

But pride of place must go to the long serving stars, the players who were stalwarts over many years.

These include present-day Morwell Falcons players Steve Walker and Jimmy Armstrong.

Another was Ernie Ackley, a great forward who joined from England in 1964 and played with Hellas for about seven years.

John Bedford was Hellas's longest serving player with well over 500 games, many as club captain.

Bedford was a long-serving State player, as were Armstrong, Walker, Dave Gorrie, Mike Mandilis, Jimmy Pyrgiolis, Jim Mantarakis and Peter Bourne.

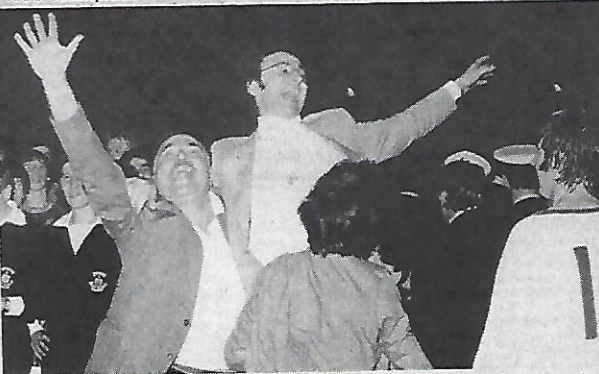
That tough and controversial defender Taki Xanthopoulos played for Hellas before joining Alex.

Andreas Roussis gave distinguished service after joining from Greek club Apollon and of course there was the elegant midfielder general Boullis Kambouropoulos.

In earlier years Hellas was best served by Tony Hatzieleftheriou, George Papadopoulos, John Tsolakis, Stratos Kalogoros,



South Melbourne Hellas, 1980, from left, back row: Leo Anezakis (team manager), Steve Kakantonis, Steve Blair, Branko Buljevic, Peter Laumets, Lou Tsigras, Duncan Cummings, Bertie Lutton. Middle row: George Christopoulos, Alan Davidson, Vince Bannon, Alan Evans, Chris Kalafetidis, Mike Watson (trainer), John Margaritis (coach). Front: Sammy Wright, George Campbell, Arthur Xanthopoulos.



Club president Sam Pappasavas celebrates one of Hellas's many victories with supporter Alex Athanasidis.

Harry Vamvakas and Savas Salamandis.

In the 70's the great Jim Mackay gave fine service to Hellas, Victoria and Australia.

These players and many more have played their part in making Hellas the most successful club in Victoria.

But soccer is based on results, not history and the men responsible for this season's amazing revival are the stars of the present and perhaps the future.

Margaritis took some time before settling on the tried and trusted 4-3-3 formation which brought Hellas out of the doldrums in 1980.

The only two new signings were Vince Bannon from Victorian State League club Frankston and Branko Buljevic from Heidelberg United.

Bannon must rate as one of the buys of the season.

His consistency has been instrumental in Hellas tightening the gaps which led to giving away so many soft goals last year.

Bannon is a fine ball winner but he is most impressive when space opens up ahead. He is quick to push forward and he has been one of Hellas's best attacking vehicles wide on the right.

Buljevic is one of the best finishers in the PSL.

His work rate often has come under criticism but his distribution and ball skill can change the complexion of a game in an instant.

The switch of Bertie Lutton to sweeper has proved extremely effective.

Lutton reads play well and his vision and distribution are first class. His consistency in the sweeper's role has been another factor instrumental in Hellas's stability at the back throughout the league season.

Former Wolves player Sammy Wright has battled for a regular first team berth but if current form is a valid indicator of his ability then his omission means Hellas has enormous depth in this area.

Arthur Xanthopoulos had a great future in Australian soccer a couple of years ago but his return to the first team in 1980 was criticised by some members of the Press.

He can be in trouble against a striker who turns well on the ball but he has been very solid this season and a perfect foil for the stylish Lutton. Xanthopoulos and Lutton have given Hellas its most stable central defensive combination since the inception of the PSL.

In Alan Davidson Hellas has one of the most skillful left backs in the land.

Davidson is so assured and calm under pressure that he is a major boon to Hellas's back four.

Earlier this year he tagged Gary Cole in a league game at Olympic Park.

Davidson not only took Cole out of the game but he also found time to surge forward and build up attacking moves.

Peter Laumets in the Hellas goal gets little recognition but he always has been a bit of a potential.

Since moving to Hellas he has represented Victoria and Australia and he has established himself as Hellas's regular first team keeper this year.

In midfield Hellas boasts Billy Rogers, George Christopoulos and George Campbell.

Former Wolves player Sammy Wright has battled for a regular first team berth but if current form is a valid indicator of his ability then his omission means Hellas has enormous depth in this area.

Rogers is at his best when ghosting into forward positions, usually at the far post, for crosses. He is exceptional in the air, his work rate is commendable and he is a real fighter.

Christopoulos strikes me as a moody player. This year he has on occasion shown more fight and aggressiveness than usual and his fierce shooting has given Hellas an added avenue to goal.

Many superlatives have been used to describe the dynamic George Campbell.

His diminutive frame earmarks him as a crowd favorite immediately but he has proven their assessment with a series of brilliant performances this year.

There can be no accolades heaped upon Campbell as fitting as the acknowledgment of his effort in recovering from a broken leg to come back and perform so well.

It's a testament to his professionalism and his love of the game.

Up front Hellas was looking to the Alan Evans, Duncan Cummings, Buljevic partnership to reap rewards this year.

Evans temporarily lost his club captaincy earlier in the season for gesturing to the Hellas supporters who were heckling him during a league game at Middle Park.

His gesture was indicative of his frustration on the day. He was playing well in an unaccustomed role as mid-field playmaker.

However the crowd expected more of their captain, a cross anyone who has graced Anfield, the famous home of England's premier club side Liverpool, has to bear.

Evans came here with a justified reputation as a top-class striker, not a top-class midfielder.

Hellas has a record of excellence in Victorian soccer. Here is the club's list of honours:

1980: First Division North champion, promoted to State League.
1982: State League champion
1984: State League champion
1985: State League champion
1986: State League champion
1989: Ampol Cup winner
1992: State League champion
1974: State League champion, Dockerty Cup winner
1976: Dockerty Cup winner
1978: State League champion, Ampol Cup winner.

Hellas's results in 1980:
PSL
Hellas 0 Heidelberg 0.
Brisbane Lions 1, Hellas 2.
West Adelaide 1 Hellas 0.
Hellas 1 Sydney City 2.
Blacktown 0 Hellas 3.
Hellas 1 APIA 0.
Brisbane City 0 Hellas 1.
Hellas 1 Canberra 0.
J.U.S.T. 3 Hellas 0.
Hellas 2 Adelaide City 1.
St George 0 Hellas 3.
Hellas 3 Marconi 1.
Hellas 2 Brisbane Lions 2.
Sydney City 2 Hellas 1.
Heidelberg 1 Hellas 2.
Hellas 2 West Adelaide 0.
Hellas 2 Blacktown 0.

APIA 1 Hellas 0.
Newcastle 1 Hellas 0.
Hellas 3 Brisbane City 3.
Canberra 0 Hellas 0.
Hellas 3 J.U.S.T. 0.
Adelaide City 1 Hellas 0.
Hellas 2 St George 1.
Marconi 1 Hellas 4.
Newcastle 0 Hellas 0.
AMPOL CUP
Hellas 4 Croynod 0.
Hellas 2 Hakoah 0.
Hellas 2 W. Suburbs 0.
Croftia 1 Hellas 0.
PHILIPS CUP
Hellas 5 Frankston 0.
Heidelberg 2 Hellas 1.
TOP FOUR
Hellas 4 Marconi 3.
Heidelberg 4 Hellas 1.

Here is a complete list of Hellas's goalscorers in 1980. The first figure denotes total goals scored, the second denotes league goals, the third denotes Ampol, Philips Cups and Top Four Goals:
16 - 8 & 8 Evans
15 - 10 & 5 Buljevic
10 - 6 & 4 Campbell
7 - 5 & 2 Cummings; 3 & 4 Christopoulos
5 - 3 & 2 Rogers
4 - 2 & 2 Xanthopoulos
3 - 2 & 1 Bannon
2 - 2 & 0 Wright; 1 & 1 Kakantonis
1 - 0 & 1 Lutton.

When Margaritis reverted to his 4-3-3 formation with Evans up front, Hellas started to get results consistently and Evans was seen at his best.

Cummings is an enigmatic performer.

In his earlier years he was an outstanding prospect but for a long time he failed to realise his full potential.

When he fires however, Hellas looks great, especially on the break.

Hellas finished third in the PSL in 1978 but this year's third placing was more significant.

"In 1978 we never won the big games," said Pappasavas.

"But this year we beat Marconi three times and Heidelberg once."

The resurrection of Hellas can in part be attributed to the dismal failure of the preceding season.

"The morale was so low last year that it made us more determined and it brought us closer together as a club," Pappasavas added.

Hellas currently is competing successfully in the inaugural Victoria Cup but winning this competition is not the only mileage Hellas can gain.

"The Victoria Cup is a proving ground for prospective Hellas players," said Pappasavas.

"We've won many major competitions in Victoria and our primary objective in the Victoria Cup was to look at other players who we could be interested in signing."

"When we discussed the prospect of entering this Cup we were unsure of our position with regard to the PSL top four competition and we didn't want to end the season so early."

Rumours have been rife for the past two weeks that the 1981 Victorian State League will be revamped and become a 14-team league with Hellas, Melbourne and J.U.S.T. fielding their second — string teams in the State League.

"The federation is talking of increasing the league and if there are any vacancies Hellas will apply," said Pappasavas.

"If we get into the State League we will concentrate on using our youngsters."

"It will mean that our supporters will be able to watch our State League side whenever the PSL side plays away from home."

The inclusion of Hellas in the State League may raise interesting questions concerning the use of PSL squad members in the State League team.

"The PSL must have a solid basis for the future and a strong State League will benefit Australian soccer in general," Pappasavas said.

Hellas is embarking on an important decade.

The 70's were kind to the club at first but the failure of 1979 is a shadow which only can be shaken off by success in the 80's. To this end Hellas is embarking upon an ambitious marketing plan under the guidance of former first team coach Dave MacLaren.

"Dave has an intimate knowledge of the game," said Pappasavas.

"He no longer wants to coach but he would rather sell the game and sell Hellas to the soccer public."

"We are entering a new era in which we will be aiming for really big crowds and new sponsors."

"TV exposure and an aggressive marketing approach will lead to a stable and successful Hellas in the 80's."

Certainly Hellas is a club with a successful history and supporters will expect little else in the 80's.

The PSL has been in operation for four seasons and Hellas is yet to win a major honor.

A repeat of this season's dramatic rise would give the club the glory to which it once was accustomed and partially satisfy the hunger of supporters.

Few clubs in Australia have such an impressive record to live up to.



Hellas centre back Arthur Xanthopoulos (centre) and team mate Bertie Lutton (right) confront Croatia's Howard Andrews (left) and Ned Batonic during a Victoria Cup match.

MACLAREN TO 'SELL' HELLAS



Dave Maclaren, on the bench between Steve Walker (left) and Leo Anezakis, during his stint as Hellas coach.

Dave Maclaren has been appointed promotions and marketing manager of South Melbourne Hellas.

Maclaren coached Hellas in 1978 and previously was with Sydney City.

President Sam Papisavas said at the club's presentation night: "We must broaden our horizons as a club and produce a marketing programme that will aim eventually to bring 10,000 to 15,000 people to the games on a regular basis."

"Dave's expertise and contacts are appropriate in helping to achieve this aim."

"During the time he was here, the club received the best media exposure in our history."

Maclaren said: "Soccer is no different to any other marketable commodity. You have to get out there and sell it."

"If we don't sell it, we will go broke."

"The clubs are much worse off financially than they were eight years ago."

"The game takes money, and it is my job to make sure that money starts to come in, as well as to get Hellas into the newspapers from day to day."

Bannon, Nicolaides, Trafficante

Right back Vince Bannon won South Melbourne Hellas's best player award last week.

His prize was a portable color TV set from Hitachi, which also provided prizes to other award-winners.

Bannon (pictured) won the Victorian Rothmans Medal while with Heidelberg United in 1973 and joined Hellas at the start of the year from State League club Frankston City.

Best clubman trophy went to Bertie Lutton and the most consistent play award to Arthur Xan-

thopoulos, who also received the "Athletic Echo" award — a trip to Manila, courtesy of Goldair Travel.

Roberto Trafficante was named best and fairest of all Hellas juniors.

Socrates Nicolaides was best player of the Hellas Second Division team. Runner-up was Paul Hagenicolaou.

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The handful of fans who braved Melbourne's inclement weather to watch Croatia and Ajax bow out of the Victoria Cup last week were treated to 30 minutes of magic from 18 year old Brian Keenan who replaced Croatia striker Ned Batovic in the 60th minute.

Few players had anything to play for but just when the game threatened to die Keenan grabbed his long awaited chance to show his wares.

A blistering run down the right culminated in a fiercely struck, well placed shot which left experienced Ajax keeper Lou Denys floundering. Keenan had taken little time in leaving a lasting impression upon the match.

Few present day Australian players started their competitive careers as early as Keenan. When he was six years old he joined Melbourne's under-9's.

A five year stint with Melbourne ended when Keenan joined Karingal for two years. He returned to Melbourne's under-15's for a brief spell.

"It was hopeless," said Keenan. "Five different coaches in one season was too much so I left and joined Chelsea in the Metro Third Division."

Keenan played in the reserves but the first soon drew upon his talent when he was 15.

Another Keenan hits the heights

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

His first senior game was against Essendon City.

"I found it hard at first because it was a lot faster than reserve soccer. There was a lot more running and challenging required."

Croatia team manager Frank Burin heard of the promising youngster and a Sunday morning telephone conversation led to Keenan turning out for Croatia reserves in a practice match against Makedonia reserves.

The following Tuesday Keenan trained with the first team and Burin asked the youngster to join Croatia, the club he has been with for the past two seasons.

Treading in the path well worn by their fathers has proved the downfall of many budding players but Keenan has not felt any pres-

sure to emulate the fine career of his father Joe.

"He was too good to emulate," is Keenan's candid reply.

"Dad started me off when I was very young and he still is the most important person in my career. He's taught me all I know and he advises me constantly."

Keenan so far has resisted Croatia's attempts to sign him on professional forms.

"I love the game and the money angle doesn't worry me."

"I'll probably sign professional forms at some stage but if I'm still an amateur next year it's not going to bother me."

Keenan represented Victoria at under-12 and 13 levels but missed out when trialling for the State under-14's.

"I was in the under-12 side which went to Canberra and finished fourth in the national titles," he said.

"I played in three of the four games and the following year I went to Sydney with the under-13's for two games against NSW representative sides."

"Missing out on the under-14's was probably the biggest disappointment of my career."

"That was the last I heard about trials and I never was called upon again to try out for a Victorian side."

Keenan's love of the game is a refreshing attitude in a time when the contract takes pride of place in the thoughts of many players.

"A lot of players are money hungry and aren't in it just for the game."

"Clubs are under financial pressure constantly and there is always trouble with players asking for more money."

"Ever since I've started senior soccer I've heard about arguments over player payments, even at Chelsea, and there is a vast difference between Chelsea and Croatia."

Whatever the future holds for Keenan his intricate ball skill combined with an explosive burst forward, both of which he displayed against Ajax last week, is sure to provide the soccer public with the spectacle they long for.

Brian Keenan should be around for a long time.



The Scots and Yugoslavs who battled out last month's old players' game. Back, left to right: Ray Goodman, match official, Andy Kazi, Marko Forde, Sander Kazi, John Dockerty, Slobodan Zoraja, Jim Armstrong, Joe Szabo, Hugh Murney, Joe Docherty, Jim Mackay, Hugh Gunn, Tom Clark, Ernie Acorley, Jovan Milinov, Joe Keenan, John Anderson, match official. Front: Bill McArthur, Steve Bleskany, Milos Adamovic, Hammy McMeechan, Frank Micic, Ibro Hadziabdic. Steve Walker, Milenko Rusmir, Jimmy Miller, John Pryde.

SCOTS AND CROATS BATTLE

An all-star Croatian eleven will meet a Scottish selection at Ross Reserve, Springvale, on 13 November from 8 pm.

The Croatians will include Billy Vojtek, Frank Bot, Mike Kovacek, Ivan Ivanovic, Ivan Ceslijar, Joe Rajhar, Duke Zernunik, Tony Ecmovic and others. The Scots recently beat a selection of Yugoslav stars.

Greechan's goodbye?

Disgruntled Western Suburbs striker Kit Greechan is on the move.

Greechan joined Suburbs from Albion Rovers on a free transfer but there is a \$1,500 price tag around his neck now.

Greechan took Suburbs to the VSF tribunal last week claiming that the club owed him money and was in breach of contract.

He claimed that he should be made a free agent.

However, the tribunal ruled that Suburbs hadn't breached Greechan's contract so that talented player is up for grabs at the above mentioned price.

Shiners present

Victorian State League club Sunshine City will have its presentation night at Sunshine Golf Course on 14 November.

The newly-elected committee is: Tom Reid (president), Henry Lonski (secretary), Ron Cawley (chairman), Bob Bond (vice-president), Alex Aleatic (treasurer), John Sewell (deputy chairman), Terry Hattisverapis (assistant secretary).

Sunshine is running coaching clinics for juniors at its ground in Anderson Road, from 10 am on Sundays. Coaches are Ian Petherick, Jim McRobert, Billy Johnson and Tommy Cumming.



The Kellor Austria team which won the 1980 First Division Reserves championship. From left, standing: G. Gerick (coach), H. Ewinger, G. Murray, W. Brydon, E. Klimczak, P. Ebini, C. Gerick, J. Bauer (first aid). Front: M. Cabrera, R. Schaffner, R. Beller, A. Cabrera, G. Lardner.

FORTUNA V. AUSTRIA

Austrian amateur team Fortuna Wien will play against Victorian First Division team Kellor-Austria on 1 February, 1981.

The game will be at Harricks Road, Kellor. The touring Austrians will be in Melbourne for three days and Kellor will accommodate them in private homes.

Tom Brewerton has won Kellor Austria's best and fairest player award.

Brewerton previously played for Preston-Makedonia.

Goalkeeper Frank Petersen was named most consistent player and Omar Latif most improved.

Brian Flaherty was top scorer and Jimmy Johnson best team man.

Other Kellor-Austria awards:

RESERVES: best and fairest G. Lerner, most consistent W. Brydon, top scorer O. Latif, most improved D. Beattie, best team man G. Murray.

UNDER 19: best and fairest D. Kolaric, most consistent J. Lopez, most improved C. Tirtilas, top scorer D. Kolaric, best team man M. Compton.

UNDER 16: best and fairest E. Brezac, most consistent S. Grbovac, most improved T. Plais, top scorer T. Tiscia, best team man J. Vassiliadis.

Frank Campbell was named best clubman.

Frank McAleer has been reappointed senior coach for 1981.

Austria's next date will be at St. Albans public hall on 6 December.

The New Year's eve ball will be at the Ukrainian Hall in Suspension Street, Ardeer.

Bookings can be made on 366 3519, 366 3152 or 459 8250.

The senior committee is: PRESIDENT: A. Csar, VICE PRESIDENT: K. Kaundstorfer, SECRETARY: J. Bauer, ASST. SECRETARY: Y. Mrs. E. Bauer, TREASURER: F. Kammerhofer, ASST. TREASURER: K. Kaundstorfer, TEAM MANAGER: W. Hubscher, JUNIOR DELEGATE: T. Duray, V.S.F. DELEGATE: J. Zsembery, GROUND MANAGER: F. Brunner, SOCIAL CO-ORDINATOR: A. Csar, PUBLIC RELATIONS: Mrs. E. Csar, MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: T. Duray, SPONSOR CO-ORDINATOR: O. Zambelli. Other committee members: W. Gollowitsch, F. Schwab, I. Swaganovic, C. Cassar.

Tottenham has jumped to the head of the queue to make Middlesbrough's Craig Johnston the North East's first 1 million pound superstar.

Spurs see Johnston's all-action brand of midfield dynamism as the perfect foil to their cultured style.

And they are also facing problems, with both Argentinian ace Osvaldo Ardiles and England star Glen Hoddle completing their contracts at the end of the season.

Neither, so far, has accepted a new contract. Johnston, the 20-year-old South African-born kid who spent most of his childhood in Australia, also completes his contract at Ayresome Park in the summer.

And there is little chance that he will be prepared to remain on Teesside. At 20, and already an England Under-21 international — he has applied to become a British citizen — his potential and ambition are enormous.

London would certainly appeal to Johnston, who was so keen to embark on a career in England he paid his own fare from Australia when Boro offered him a trial.

But Spurs will face intense competition. Already Forest and Everton have cast envious eyes on Johnston.

And a tug-of-war for his services could push the price up to the magic seven figure mark — double Boro's previous record sale. David Mills, who went to West Brom for \$17,000 pounds two years ago.

Boro boss John Neal will be reluctant to part with Johnston, but under the system of players' freedom of contract he has no option.

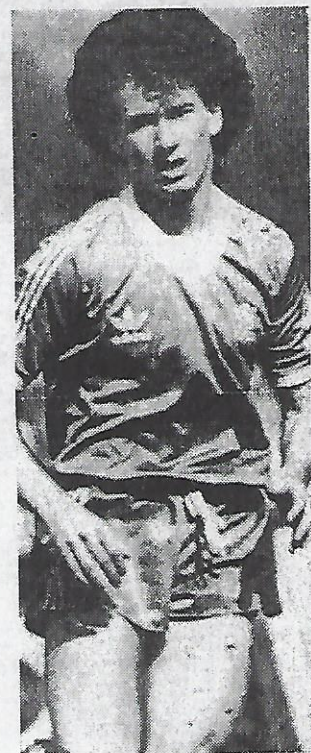
And with gates among the worst in the First Division, he has already admitted that his own needs have to be tailored to economic facts of life.

Johnston capped a great weekend when he scored the winning goal for Middlesbrough in its clash with Brighton on Saturday.

Johnston earlier had been named young player of the month, and been given a generous "wrap" from England manager Ron Greenwood, who said it was only a matter of time before he would be called up to the full England squad.

However, he has not yet ruled out the possibility of playing for Australia, and indeed he would be a welcome addition to the Australian squad now touring Europe. No doubt Rudi Gutendorf will speak with him when the Socceroos arrive in England.

Johnston's goal gave Boro only its second win away from home this season. It came soon after half time when John Craggs drove a fierce shot which Brighton keeper Graham Moseley did well to palm down. Johnston was there to pounce on the rebound and put it away for the only score of the match.



Craig Johnston

Johnston's performance earned him praise from all quarters. He was man of the match in most Sunday paper reports, and "Sunday Mirror" soccer writer Tony Stenson described his darting style as similar to Kevin Keegan's.

Former Spurs manager Bill Nicholson, one of the judges who named Johnston as Young Player of the Month, commented: "He's like a human dynamo. He loves to go forward and be involved in the game."

"He likes doing everything quickly and he has the skill to match his stamina."

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That was one of ten recommendations made by a meeting of representatives from all 92 League clubs aimed at saving the game.

Other recommendations included three points for a win one for a draw, and a change in the soccer season which would start from September 1st and finish in May.

But Sunday soccer was top of the list and bailed by Match of the Day's Jimmy Hill, also chairman of Coventry City, as part of an exciting step into the future.

The recommendations still have to be passed by an extraordinary general meeting of the Football League.

But League secretary Graham Kelly said: "I am very confident that most, if not all, of these recommendations will go into effect from next season."

"There was a very strong feeling for play on Sundays, though the clubs will have the choice of playing their games any time between Friday evening and Sunday evening."

"We are legally not allowed to charge admission for Sunday games, but major sports like cricket have got around that problem."

The meeting, in a Solihull hotel, was called because of fears the game would die in its present format.

The recommendations to award winning teams three points and to give one point for a draw, was seen by Kelly as a highly important step to bringing excitement back into soccer.

On hoolliganism, the meeting decided to call for Government cash aid.

Several top English clubs were interested in Alan Simonsen the 28-year-old Danish striker with Barcelona who could be had for around 500,000 pounds. Soag is Simonsen is reported to be asking 100,000 pounds a year for himself.

Crystal Palace soccer fan Barry Roudonau has been jailed for life after stabbing a Swansea supporter to death in a pre-match brawl.

Malcolm McDonald (Supermac), who guested with South Melbourne Hellas in 1977, has been appointed manager of Fulham.

Eddie Kelly the former Arsenal midfielder who as captain of Leicester City guided them into the First

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Malcolm MacDonald.

Division last year looks set to repeat his feat with Notts County.

John Bond soon splashed out at Manchester City by buying Coventry winger Tom Hutchinson and his team-mate defender Bobby McDonald for 320,000 pounds. Hutchinson is a former Scottish international while McDonald has under-23 caps for Scotland.

Rene Houseman the Argentine star of the 1974 World Cup side has been in all sorts of trouble with his club and the law over the past two years.

Huracan F.C. have suspended him several times for missing training. Now he is accused of assaulting a girl in a Buenos Aires disco. Argentine's superstar Diego Maradona has helped Houseman by sharing his flat and keeping an eye on him.

John Bond has lined up another goal for Manchester City. Gerry Gow, the 28-year-old Bristol City skipper and midfielder, is expected to land at Maine Road this week for a fee of 220,000 pounds.

Scottish team boss Jock Stein is reported to have been interested in Perdro Richards the colored full back of Notts County. But Jock has no hope of him playing for Scotland as he was born in London of Spanish parents and qualifies only for Spain or England.

Alan Dicks the deposed Bristol City manager is favourite for the Swindon Town position and Bobby Campbell

ex-Fulham has also had his name linked with the job.

Zico may not be long in parting company with Flamengo to come to Europe. His contract with the Brazilians runs out next year and the Italians must be favourites. Zico was wanted by several Italian clubs this past summer, but didn't fight too hard when Flamengo said No - until he found out the sort of money Robert Falcao is earning at Roma! - Flamengo will get to a lot of length to keep Zico - for instance, he was the only man allowed to bring his wife on the recent European tour - but if he doesn't move soon he'll be too old, and he knows it.

Golden Boot - Rajanieni (Sepsis) 15 goals (25 games) - Jensen (Aarhus) 13 (21), Madsen (B93 Copenhagen) 13 (21) - Ohlsson (Hammarby) 12 (19) - Jalasvaara (OPo) 12 (25) - Andreyev (Rostov) 11 (20) - Hansen (Naestved) 11 (21) - Bierregard (Ikast) 11 (21) - T. Nilsson (IFK Gothenburg) 10 (19) - Blokhin (Kiev) 10 (20) - Tutunov (Kupio) 10 (25) - Skovboe (Naestved) 10 (21) - Berggren (Lyngby) 10 (21).

Names in the news... Johan Cruyff's attempt at a brief one-month comeback as an amateur to aid Ajax is halted by the KNVB... Johan Neeskens walks out of New York Cosmos... Juan Carlos Lorenzo quits Racing Genoa Aires for Atlante of Mexico... Victor Rodriguez is new Racing BA boss... Oscar Ortiz, World Cup-winning winger, may be leaving River Plate... Hector Scotta quits Sevilla and Spain to go home to Ferro Caril Oeste... Carlos Kiese (Gremio) is eyed by both River Plate and Atletico Madrid... Willy Kreuz, Austrian midfielder, suffers Achilles tendon trouble... Anderlecht midfielder Lucio Cock is hurt, yet again... Simon Tahamata gets two goals in Standard Liege's remarkable 7-1 win at Brugge... Mario Zagalo has taken over as Vasco da Gama... Rudi Krol has joined Italy's Napoli on loan from Hans-euover for six months... Dynamo Berlin star Hans-Jurgen Riediger has been sidelined with knee trouble... Jesus Sarrutegui has signed a four-year contract with Real Sociedad.



Benensee (front) of Hannover 96 and Wesseler of Hertha BSC in horizontal flight during a West German league match.

REAL IS CLOSER TO CUP TRIUMPH

The Yugoslav and Czech champions were first to join Real Madrid in the final eight of the European Cup when the reverse legs of the second round were played last week.

The Spanish elite club clinched its place by beating Honved Budapest 2-0 in Hungary the night before.

In Belgrade Red Star took only six minutes to wipe out the 1-0 deficit it had brought from Switzerland against Basle and in 12 more minutes the Yugoslavs struck the second and final goal of the tie.

In East Berlin Bank Ostrava led Dynamo Berlin at half-time by a goal from Knapp - the first of either leg - and through Troppa put the Germans level, the Czechs won through on the strength of their away goal.

West German clubs continued their country's domination of Europe when six of their seven representatives reached the third round of the three competitions.

Their charge was led by Bayern Munich in the champion's Cup.

Winners in 1974, 1975 and 1976, Bayern led 2-1 to Ajax of the Netherlands in Amsterdam but that defeat barely made a dent in their 5-1 first leg lead.

Bayern Munich are in the quarter-finals with Real Madrid, Liverpool of England, Italy's Internazionale, Spartak Moscow, Red Star Belgrade, CSKA Sofia and Bank Ostrava.

Fortuna Dusseldorf had a much harder time in the cup-winners' cup against Belgian visitors Waterschei. The teams drew 0-0 in the first leg and it took a single goal to give the West Germans victory.

Their hopes of ultimate success were strengthened when holders Valencia of Spain were beaten 3-2 on aggregate by Carl Zeiss Jena of East Germany.

Four second-half goals in Soviet Georgia gave Dinamo Tbilisi a 5-0 aggregate win over Irish cupholders Waterford in Bulgaria. Slavia Sofia scored a 3-0 win over Sparta Prague, rubbing out the 2-0 defeat they suffered in Czechoslovakia and knocking their visitors out of the cup.

Andrei Zhelezkov scored Slavia's second goal - all three came before half-time - and was later one of three players ordered off.

In Romania, England's West Ham, starting 4-0 up, held out for 57 minutes against Politehnica Timisoara and even then Dan Palatinianu's goal provided the only consolation for the Romanians.

The UEFA Cup produced some close finishes. The Belgians of Lokeren beat the Scots of Dundee United on the away-goal rule and in East Germany Dynamo Dresden squeezed out the Dutch club Twente Enschede by the same "tiebreak" device.

EUROPEAN CUP
In Bytom: SZOMBIERKI BYTOM (Poland) 0 CSKA SOFIA (Bulgaria) 1. CSKA Sofia won 5-0 on aggregate.
In Lisbon: BENFICA (Portugal) 2 MALMOE (Sweden) 0. Benfica won 2-1 on aggregate.
In Liverpool: LIVERPOOL (England) 4 ABERDEEN (Scotland) 0. Liverpool won 5-0 on aggregate.
In Milan: INTER MILAN (Italy) 1 NANTES (France) 1. Inter Milan won 3-2 on aggregate.
In Amsterdam: AJAX AMSTERDAM (Netherlands) 2 BAYERN MUNICH (West Germany) 1. Bayern Munich won 6-3 on aggregate.
In East Berlin: DYNAMO BERLIN (East Germany) 1 Banik Ostrava (Czechoslovakia) 1. Aggregate score 1-1. Banik Ostrava won on away goals rule.
In Esbjerg: ESBJERG (Denmark) 2 SPARTAK MOSCOW (Soviet Union) 0. Spartak Moscow won 3-2 on aggregate.
In Belgrade: RED STAR BELGRADE (Yugoslavia) 2 BASLE (Switzerland) 0. Red Star Belgrade won 2-1 on aggregate.
In Timisoara: POLITEHNICA TIMISOARA (Romania) 1 WEST HAM UNITED (England) 0. West Ham won 4-1 on aggregate.

CUP WINNERS' CUP
In Tbilisi: DINAMO TILISI (Soviet Union) 4 WATERFORD (Ireland) 0. Dinamo Tbilisi won 5-0 on aggregate.
In Sofia: SLAVIA SOFIA (Bulgaria) 3 SPARTA PRAGUE (Czechoslovakia) 0. Slavia Sofia won 3-2 on aggregate.
In Dusseldorf: FORTUNA DUSSELDORF (West Germany) 1 WATERSCHEI (Belgium) 0. Fortuna Dusseldorf won 1-0 on aggregate.
In Rotterdam: FEYENOORD ROTTERDAM won 3-1 on aggregate.

In Valencia: VALENCIA (Spain) 1 CARL ZEISS JENA (East Germany) 0. Carl Zeiss Jena won 5-2 on aggregate.
UEFA CUP
In St Etienne: ST ETIENNE (France) 2 ST MIRREN (Scotland) 0. St Etienne won 2-0 on aggregate.

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In Liege: STANDARD LIEGE (Belgium) 2 KAISERSLAUTERN (West Germany) 1. Standard Liege won 4-2 on aggregate.

In Hamburg: HAMBURG (West Germany) 2 PSV/EINDHOVEN (Netherlands) 1. Hamburg won 3-2 on aggregate.

In Frankfurt: EINTRACHT FRANKFURT (West Germany) 3 UTRECHT (Netherlands) 1. Eintracht Frankfurt won 4-3 on aggregate.

In Zurich: GRASSHOPPERS ZURICH (Switzerland) 3 PORTO (Portugal) 0. Grasshoppers Zurich won 3-2 on aggregate.
In Barcelona: BARCELONA (Spain) 0 COLOGNE (West Germany) 4. Cologne won 4-1 on aggregate.

In Turin: JUVENTUS (Italy) 3 WIDZEN LODZ (Poland) 1. Aggregate score 4-4. Widzew won 4-1 on penalties.

In Prague: BOHEMIANS PRAGUE (Czechoslovakia) 2 IPSWICH (England) 0. Ipswich won 3-2 on aggregate.
In Lokeren: LOKEREN (Belgium) 0 DUNDEE UNITED (Scotland) 0. Aggregate score 1-1. Lokeren won on away-goals rule.

In Magdeburg: MAGDEBURG (East Germany) 1 AC TORINO (Italy) 0. AC Turin won 3-1 on aggregate.

In Nis: RADNIKI (Yugoslavia) 2 BEROE STARA ZAGORA (Bulgaria) 1. Radnicki won 3-1 on aggregate.

In Oporto: BOAVISTA PORTO (Portugal) 0 SOCHAUX (France) 1. Sochaux won 3-2 on aggregate.

In Frankfurt/Oder: VORWAERTS (East Germany) 1 STUTTGART (West Germany) 2. Stuttgart won 2-2 on aggregate.

In Dresden: DYNAMO DRESDEN (East Germany) 0 TWENTE ENSCHDEE (Netherlands) 0. Aggregate score 1-1. Dynamo Dresden won on away-goals rule.

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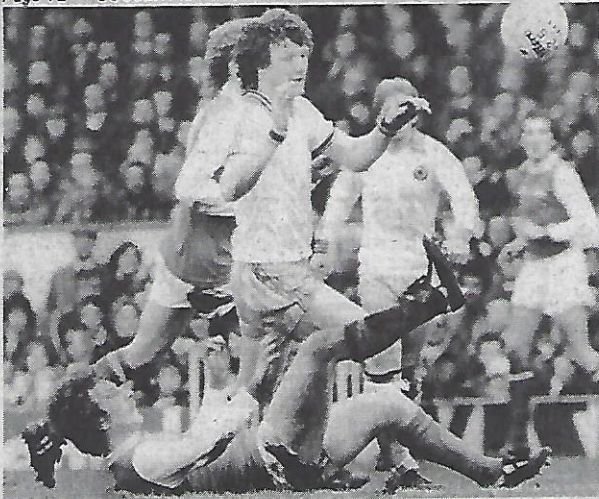
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Alan Sunderland, grounded during a game between Arsenal and Aston Villa. At centre is Gordon Cowans of Villa.

Sunderland, Latchford

Brisbane Lions have reached agreement with Arsenal striker, Alan Sunderland, and Everton centre-forward Bob Latchford to play here for six weeks from 9 May.

However, a meeting of the PSL Management committee will be convened to decide whether both players will be allowed guest appearances at the same time.

Under PSL rules clubs are allowed only one overseas player for guest appearances at any one time.

Lions director Paul Templeton said, "I don't know yet if both will be allowed to play together as the rules state only one overseas player is allowed."

"However if the PSL management committee gives us permission it would be a great crowd-puller for soccer."

Templeton said both players had agreed verbally to terms with Lions and both wanted to play at the end of the English Season.

Templeton believes the two star players would be a major drawcard for Lions in only their second season at Lions Stadium, on Brisbane's far western outskirts.

Giants going broke

Derby, English First Division champion five years ago, lost over one million sterling (two million Aust) last season and will have to sell players to survive interest charges currently costing the club 3,000 stg. (6,000 Aust) a week.

Tottenham reported a loss of nearly 450,000 Stg. (900,000 Aust) and managed to get a resolution passed by shareholders to abolish a 500,000 Stg. (one million Aust) limit on borrowing cash — though that move was mainly to ease the financing of the new 34 million Stg. (seven million Aust) stand.

Liverpool, Britain's most successful club with 10 titles in the seventies, is likely to have to prune one of its four club sides and admits to needing 40,000 crowds on a regular basis to keep even.

Tottenham, once the big spenders, lost nearly one million Stg. (two million Aust) on their transfer dealings, while their wage bill rose to 700,000 Stg. (1.4 million Aust) which is still short of Liverpool's one million Stg. (two million Aust) a year.

As the banks refuse to extend heavily committed clubs credit, it will come down to the supporters and lottery schemes to keep the League going — and already this season gates are heavily down.



Preston Makedonia midfielder Jeff Faulkner hurdles J.U.S.T. goalkeeper Dennis Boland in their Victoria Cup match at Middle Park last Sunday. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

Charity Shield, and a new series...

A charity shield match between league champion Sydney City and Cup winner Marconi will kick off the 1981 PSL season in Canberra on 26 January.

The idea has been copied from England where the Charity Shield game is the prelude to each season.

The Australian equivalent will benefit a different charity every year.

A new tournament for the top Philips League clubs in 1982 will be developed and designed specially for television, hopefully with big prize money to be won.

Mr Rik Booth, executive director of ASF Marketing said, "A number of other significant and important alterations will also be made to the current end of season soccer activities subject to ASF agreement and cooperation."

"We would like, subject to sponsor approval, the tournament to be renamed the 'Australian Soccer Federation Cup tournament' for the Philips Cup."

"The final of this event in 1981 will be played at the Bruce Stadium. It will form part of a complete soccer festival and annual convention that will be held in Canberra during the preceding week."

"We will try to move as many end-of-season administrative meetings as possible for both the Philips League and ASF into Canberra during that week."

"These would include the ASF and PSL annual general meetings and other end of season executive meetings for both bodies."



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Victorian Metropolitan League club Mornington was formed in 1964 after a meeting between Gary Woods, Bob Barnes and Del Lines. In 1965 the club entered senior competition. In 1966 Mornington was accepted into the Metro Division Four. The early years were hard. Mornington struggled to avoid relegation regularly until Nick Van Egmond took over as player-coach in 1979. The late 70's have been kind to the club. In 1976 Lines, Eddie Ward and Nick Delaportas founded three junior teams. There now are 150 junior players and 11 teams at the club ranging from under-7's to under-15's. This year Mornington had permanent floodlighting installed and hopes to hold night games in 1982. The club still welcomes players as it gears up to go at least one better than its effort this season when it finished third in Division Four.

BACK: Paul Briscoe (Melbourne Juniors 1978); Peter Vinter (Rosebud 1979); Dave Walsh (Karingal Juniors, 1979); Nick Van Egmond senior (Ringwood City, 1976); Tony Puszka (Karingal Juniors, 1978); Colin Glencross (Karingal Juniors, 1976); Geoff Menlove (Broadmeadows, 1974); Dave Robson (Carlisle 1974).
FRONT: Steve Lines (Frankton City, 1977/1978); Nigel Balston (Broadford Youth), Nick Van Egmond junior (Microchess, 1978); Nigel Balston (Rosebud, 1977); Van Egmond junior (Microchess, 1978); Henry Buplat (Rosebud, 1979).
MISSING: Nick Jones (Frankton City, 1979); John Rowe (Frankton City, 1979); Otto Lonstra (Frankton City, 1979); Paul Bent (Chelsea, 1979).

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LOS MOROCHOS A SYDNEY CHAVALS Y CHARRUAS.. ORGANIZANDO LOS GAUCHOS DE FARRA CORRIDA

CABRERA, CRINO, CRISTALDO CON "C" DE CAMPEONES

Una vez mas a quedado demostrado que el futbol es arte, es fuego sa grado que se lleva consigo desde la cuna, sino es imposible que estos tres exelentes jugadores pudieran seguir como si am estuvieran en sus paises. Esta opinion no es solamente nuestra, incluso es la de uno de los padres, el señor Cabrera, ya que como el dice... "Mi botija casi aprendio aqui". El milagro de Cabrera, Crino y Cristaldo, se lo puede buscar en esa inspiracion que se encuentra solo en los paises donde el futbol a mas de ser "el deporte de todos", es una pasion que se vive desde nino. Y eso que se aprendio, promedio 7 horas por dia, en la vereda y luego en el potrero, no se olvida jamas. En el caso del Keilor Austria, tambien es un lujo tener tantos jugadores de origen Espanol y Sudamericano, entre la edad de 11 y 18 años. Un lujo y una verdadera suerte. Los pibes, criados aqui, sin complejos de idiomas o adaptacion viven una realidad diferente a la de un adulto y en el caso del futbol los deja libre para crear, para ser ellos mismos. OSCAR CRINO, de familia abrazada al futbol, inicio en las inferiores de SAN LORENZO de ALMAGRO, los Gauchos de Boedo, un club que

tiene los colores del Barcelona, y que fuera fundado por un cura Espanol en la decada del 1910, le dio inspiracion y estilo, para lograr encontrar en Australia el camino a la consagracion. VICTOR CRISTALDO, hijo de padres Paraguayos, nacido en Argentina, hereda la tremenda habilidad y el nervio de la gente de su raza, un nombre para imitar BENITEZ CACERES, un jugador paraguayo que hacia cortar la respiracion de nuestros viejos, padres y abuelos. Aprendio en la vereda todo lo que trajo a este pais. Aqui lo saca a fuera en cada partido y se convierte en goleador, 46 este ano entre el campeonato y el "nacional" que se juega en Newcastle, donde afirma su personalidad como CAPITAN de Victoria. MARCOS CABRERA, furioso hincha de un futbol de "toque" y "meterla" por vocacion, otro que llevo a esta tierra nino y lo que trajo, lo aprendio en la vereda, jugando con aquellas "pulpas" de goma, otro poco en las playas Montevideanas y el resto, llenandose de asombro en el Centenario, con su Penarol. En estos tres chicos, y en tantos otros como ellos, esta el futuro de Australia. Sin problemas de nutricion, fuertes, sanos, con todo a su alcance...TRIUNFARAN.....

PELIGRO DE GOOOOLL

— Oscar Perea

LOS MOROCHOS TURISTAS...LOS GAUCHOS DE FARRA CORRIDA...

La entrega de los PELIGRO DE GOL no solo ha traído una expectativa pocas veces iguala en el mundillo del futbol, sino que tambien deja "esas" cosas que son anecdota y hacen a la historia. LOS MOROCHOS DEL CHILE CLUB, le ganan a ANGELUCCI, juntos en un micro alrededor de 60 personas, tecnicos, jugadores y dirigentes y por supuesto los hinchas de Ferro, EXHAHERADOS...??? NOOOOOOO una idea brillante de DANTON ROUSO, el secretario de futbol, que combine un partido amistoso en

Sydney contra el CONCORD COLLEGE, y apenas termine la noche en KEW, a la ruta y hasta Sydney a descansar pensando en el partido. LOS GAUCHOS, no se quitaran el smoking, dijeron... "Nos iremos tarde el VIERNES y llegaremos bien temprano el SABADO. Por razones de organizacion el CENTRO ARGENTINO debio cambiar la fecha de la entrega de los OLIMPIA de ORO a sus deportistas, primero estaba programada para el sabado 8 en ELWOOD, pero la fiesta va el 22, en el TOWN HALL de WILLIAMSTON...NO FALTE Y BAILE.

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ZASLUZENA POBEDA MAKEDONIJE

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ZAVRSEN JUGO-KUP U GEELONGU

Prosie subote je NORTHERN SUBURBS necekivano osvojio Jugo-kup u Geelongu, posto je u finalu pobedio Altonu United/Vojvodinu sa 3:1 (1:0). Strelci: Dragoslav Janic 2 i Zoran Babic iz Northern Suburbs, Adam Miller za Vojvodinu. Igra je bila ziva i zanimljiva. Vojvodina bolja u polju, ali mekana pred golom. Ipak treba naglasiti da je Vojvodina jedina na ovom turniru igrala bez pozajmljenih igrica, dok je Northern Suburbs imao vise gostiju nego svojih igrica. Pojedinci su igrali za nekoliko timova na istom turniru!!

Rezultati polifinala:

Northern Suburbs — Inter 1:0 (0:0) posle temperamentalne i grube igre, tako da je sudija Rodja Svirar morao da posalje tri igrica u svlacionicu da se ohladi (dva iz Intera). Jedini gol je postigao Paul Halliday u 87. minutu.

Altona United/Vojvodina — Kensington/Beograd Utd. 2:0 (0:0). Ovo je bila najlepsa utakmica turnira. Beograd je igrao bolje u polju, ali neefikasno pred golom. Cak je Nedeljko Rajic promasio i jedanaesterac u 88. minutu. Oba gola za Vojvodinu postigao je Velja Duper, koji zbog povrede nije dugo igrao, ali je na ovom turniru pokazao da je ostao onaj stari lisac i borac za svaku loptu.

JOS JEDAN USPEH MAKEDONIJE

Drugi tim Makedonije, pojacan sa tri prvotince, pobedio je u finalu Makedonskog turnira Altonu Gate sa 2:0 (1:0) posle zive i ostre igre. Ustavari Altona Gate je igrao, a Makedonija je davala golove iz brzih protivnapada. Prvi gol je postigao Cunningham na sreću iz velike guzve, a drugi Ljube Petrovski u 88. minutu iz solo prodora. Bilo je dosta sumnjivih prekrasja u kaznenom prostoru Makedonije, ali sudija nije dosudio cak ni indirektni.

U predgri je SHEPPARTON pobedio West GEEELONG sa 2:1 (1:0) i osvojio trece mesto. Strelci: Mitre Talevski i Colic za Shepparton.

TURNIR CARLTON/SRBILJE

Rezultati prvog kola, koje je odigrao prosie subote na Ross Reserves u Noble Parku.

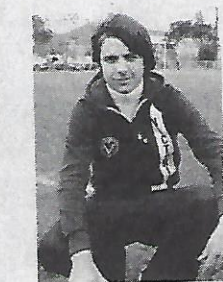
CARLTON/SRBILJA "B" — PLAVI DUNAV "B" 3:1 (2:0). Strelci: Bruno Aleksic 2 i Ljuba Stojanovic za Carlton/Srbiju, Jozsi Foral za Plavi Dunav.

CHADSTONE — SPRINGVALE CITY 6:4 na jedanaesterce. Ekipa koju trenira Benja Kostromin, napravila je najvise iznenađenje na ovom turniru. U regularnom vremenu rezultat je bio 1:1 (0:1), pa posto postojetack nije doneo promenu, izvodili su se jedanaesterci.

HAWKSBURN — CARLTON/SRBILJA "A" 3:0 (3:0). Strelci: Steve Derek, Joe Hegedus i Janos Kalmar.

PLAVI DUNAV "A" — SOUTH DANDENONG 0:1 (0:1). Jedini gol postigao Lalo Santos u 33. minutu iz solo prodora. Gledanje Mezei je bio nemocan.

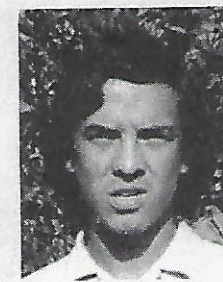
Polufinalne utakmice se igraju iduce nedelje opet na Ross Reserves. U 10 casova pre podne sastaju se Chadstone i Hawksburn, a u podne Carlton/Srbija i South Dandenong. Zatim porazeni timovi igraju za trece mesto (oko 3 po podne) i na kraju (oko 5 po posne) pocinje finalna utakmica.



MARCOS CABRERA



OSCAR CRINO



VICTOR CRISTALDO

Overseas scores

WORLD CUP

Mexico beat the United States 5-1 (halftime 4-0) in a World Cup Central/North America and Caribbean (CONCACAF) North Zone qualifying match in Mexico City.

SCORES: Mexico — Sanchez, Camacho (two), Mendizabal and Gonzalez. United States: Davis penalty. Attendance: 80,000.

WEST GERMANY

Karlsruher FC 0 VFB Stuttgart 0, Kaiserslautern 4 Bayern Munich 2, Hamburg 3 Bayer Leverkusen 0, Nürnberg 2 Borussia Dortmund 0, Cologne 3 Bayer Uerdingen 0, 1860 Munich 2 Arminia Bielefeld 1, Eintracht Frankfurt 2 Borussia Mönchengladbach 1, postponed: MSV Duisburg against Fortuna Düsseldorf, VfL Bochum against Schalke 04.

EAST GERMANY

Dynamo Dresden 3 Vorwärts Frankfurt 1, Magdeburg 4 Lok Leipzig 1, Wismut Ave 2, Sechsanrig Zwickau 1, Rot-Weiss Erfurt 1, Hallescher 0, Karl-Marx-Stadt 3, Carl Zeiss Jena 2, Hansa Rostock 6, Stahl Riesa 2, Chemie Brehlen 2, Dynamo Berlin 2.

GREECE

Apollon 0 Larisa 0, OFI 0 Ethnikos 1, Korinthos 2 Kastoria 1, Peok Druza 2, Panathinaikos 2, Iraklis 1, Atina 2, Panionios 3, Panathinaikos 4, Olympiakos 2, Yaminia 0, Panathinaikos 2, Atromitos 1.

FRANCE

Strasbourg 2 Lyons 1, Paris-St Germain 2 Nancy 1, Auxerre 3 Nice 1, Valenciennes 2, Bordeaux 2, Monaco 1, Tours 1, Metz 2, Nimes 1, St Etienne 0 Nantes 0, Laval 3, Lens 0, Angers 1, Bastia 0, Lille 2, Sochaux 1.

ASCOPI

1. Udinese 0, Bologna 0, Brescia 1, Fiorentina 0, Cagliari 0, Inter 2, Fiorentina 0, Napoli 1, Avellino 0, Pescara 0, Juventus 0, Roma 0, Catanzaro 0, Torino 1, Como 1.

PORTUGAL

Maritimo Do Funchal 1 Benfica 2, Porto 6 Amora 3, Sporting 1 Varzim 0, Guimaraes 5 Braga 0, Academico de Viseu 1, Portimonense 1, Setubal 3, Espinho 0, Academico de Coimbra 2, Penafiel 0, Boavista 0, Boavista 0.

HOLLAND

NAC Breda 1 Wageningen 1, PSV Eindhoven 4 Roda JC Kerkrade 1, The Hague 0 Willem II Tilburg 1, AZ '67 Alkmaar 5 Feyenoord Rotterdam 2, Excelsior Rotterdam 4, Alkmaar 1, Amsterdam 3. Matches postponed because of unfit ground: PEC Zwolle — Twente Enschede, NEC Nijmegen — MVV Maastricht and Groningen — Utrecht.

AUSTRIA

Wiener Sportklub 1 GAK 1, Laak 2 Austria Wien 1, SC Eisenstadt 1, Voest Linz 1, Sturm Graz 1, Austria Salzburg 0, Rapid 0, Admira Wacker 0.

SPAIN

Barcelona 4 Atletico Madrid 2, Salamanca 0, Hercules 1, Real Zaragoza 2, Real Betis 0, Real Madrid 1, Real Sociedad 0, Real Valladolid 3, Las Palmas 1, Almeria 1, Osasuna 1, Athletic Bilbao 4, Valencia 0, Sevilla 3, Sporting 2, Real Murcia 1, Espanol 1.

BELGIUM

Anderslecht 4 RWDM Molenbeek 0, Waterschei 0 Courtrai 6, Waregem 1, Lierse 1, Grootsele 3, Willebroek 0, Beveren 2, Berchem 0, FC Brugge 4, Berchem 0, Lierse 1, Grootsele 3, Willebroek 0, Beveren 2, Berchem 0, FC Brugge 4.

YUGOSLAVIA

Olimpija 0 Radnicki 0, Red Star 4, Zvezdazica 0, Velez 2, Vardar 1, Dinamo 1, Borca 0, Vojvodina 1, Sloboda 1, Buducnost 3, Rijeka 0, Napredak 0, Zagreb 1, Hajduk 1, Partizan 1, Sarajevo 4 OFK Beograd 2.

SOVIET UNION

Nurnam 0, Moscow Torpedo 0, Shkhiyevsk Donetsk 0, Moscow Spartak 2, Moscow Dynamo 0, Nizhny Novgorod 1, Nizhny Novgorod 1.

POLAND

Stal Mielec 3, Lechia Lodz 0, Baltik Gdynia 1, Motor Lublin 0, Zawisza Bydgoszcz 1, Zaglabie Sosnowiec 0.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Bohemians Prague 9, Inter Bratislava 1, Slovan Bratislava 1, Spartak Trnava 2, FC Chab 2, Dukla Praha 1, Dukla Banika Bystrica 1, Zbrojovka Brno 0, Spartak Hradec Kralove 1, Banik Ostrava 0, ZTS Kladno 5, Plzen 1, Slovan Liberec 2, Lokomotiva Kosice 1.

HUNGARY

Vasas 3 MTK VIM 0, Csepel 3, Kaposvar 1, Doros Ujpest 1, Nyirasy 1, Zalaegerszeg 1, Ferencváros 1, Zalaegerszeg 1, Videsz 3, Debrecen 3, MVSZ 3, Dunaszerdahely 0, Pecs MSC 1, Békéscsaba 0, Diósgyőri Munkácsy Budapest 2, Velen 0, Tatabánya 2.

ROMANIA

Bucharest Dinamo 2, Timisoara Politehnica 0, Bucharest Progresul 1, Volcan 3, Tigru Mures ASA 1, Cluj-Napoca Universitatea 2, Braşov FC 1, Petrosani 1, Jula 2, Bucharest FC 1, Braşov FC 1, Craiova Universitatea 1, Bala Mare FC 3, Hunedoara Corvinii 1, Rimnicu Vilcea Chimia 2, last Politehnica 1, OLT FC 2, Pitesti Argeş 1, Galati FC 3, Bucharest Sport Studentesc 0.

BULGARIA

Lokomotiv 3, Botev 1, Minior 0, Spartak 2, Chernomorets 2, Akademik 2, Plovdiv 2, Levski-Spartak 1, Belsatitsa 0, Trakiya 2, Beroe 0, Marek 0, CSKA Septemvriisko Znanie 0.

Irish Soccer star George Best is in trouble again — this time with the taxman.

The Inland Revenue claim the 33-year-old former superstars owes them 17,000 pounds, and a bankruptcy notice has been issued against him through the London Bankruptcy Court.

But Best is thought to be far from broke. Though he admits he was "ripped off" over a number of business deals early in his career, he has big interests in a bar near Los Angeles and in a Manchester club.

The former Manchester United and Northern Ireland striker said yesterday in Edinburgh, where he was playing his last game for Scottish First Division club Hibernian. "It's the first I've heard of it. I leave all these matters in my

By DR FRIEDEBERT BECKER

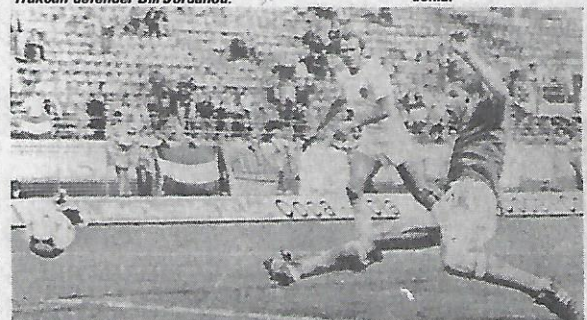
1980 in pictures



Hellas captain Alun Evans struggles to get his foot to the ball as Brisbane City defender David Ratcliffe falls on top of him. Other Brisbane City players, from left to right, are George Potter, Frank Pimblett, Steve Perry and Bill Wilkinson.



Macedonia's Robert Cullen (left) gets clear of Hakoah defender Bill Jordanou. Captain George McMillan holds up the Rothmans State League championship trophy won by Preston Macedonia.



Zdenek Nehoda scores for Czechoslovakia against Holland in the European championships in Italy.



West Germany's Karl Heinz Foerster (front) screams in pain after crashing into Greek goalkeeper Eleftherios Poupakis and a Greek defender, in their scoreless draw during the European championships.



Heidelberg dynamo Jim Rooney (left) slots the ball past the outstretched left hand of APIA keeper Greg Woodhouse. Rod Skellern of APIA is in the background.

Whoops, missed that one. The ball whistles past Mark Jankovics and Ken Boden (No. 8). At left is Joe Senkalski.

MONEY MAGIC with Michael Morley

If league champions Liverpool continue their present trend they'll be earning another title: 'The pools punter's friend'.

So far this season Liverpool have drawn four of their 15 games. This isn't championship form and I daresay their supporters won't be jumping for joy, but if you're a pools gambler — Liverpool should be on your list.

Having said that I've forecast Liverpool to win away this week, but I have my reasons. One, my job is to make selections on form, and two, if you study the ladder, you will note the poor position of Crystal Palace who are entertaining the champions.

Manchester United are also drawing many of their games, nine so far from their opening 16 matches. This week United travel to Middlesbrough and I make this game one of my best score draw bets of the day.

The competition is obviously very keen in the English first division as last Saturday's results produced three score and four no score draws.

Strictly on form we're not likely to see as many draws this week in the first division, and my choice for this ladder concerns the matches at Arsenal, Coventry and Middlesbrough.

In the English second division we could see some close results at Bristol C, Grimsby, Newcastle and Q.P.R. In the third division it could pay you to include Brentford V Charlton as this is an all London game. Other matches that appeal as score draws from this ladder are the games at: Gillingham, Huddersfield, Newport and Walsall. Most of the matches in

the fourth division appear to favor the home clubs but we could see some close results at Bradford City and Rochdale.

It's always worth including some of the Scottish matches in your selections and the best on recent form for this week's games could be at Airdrie, Morton, Dumbarton and Falkirk.

My planned entry for this week covers 17 matches and if you would like to try this bet I have left a blank line in the diagram for your selections. It will involve three entries of system 12 and at \$1.50 each the investment is \$4.50.

Choose your 17 matches and then reading from left to right put your best two selections in the first two spaces on the diagram. It doesn't matter in what order you place your other games. When you have entered all your selections on the blank line use the corresponding X's as set out in the diagram as you transfer your match numbers on to the entry forms.

Take care in the choice of your two best matches as they will be used in every entry of the investment.

● With eight score draws in any one of the three system entries you would be assured of a first dividend.

● If your best two selections are score draws and you have a further eight score draws failing anywhere among your other 15 matches you would be guaranteed at least one first dividend.

Until next week, good luck and good punting.

SELECTIONS

WEEK 16
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ASHEAL	WEST BROM	1
ASTON VILLA	LEEDS	2
COVENTRY	WIDNES	3
GLASGOW	BIRMINGHAM	4
EVERTON	LIVERPOOL	5
GLASGOW	SUNDERLAND	6
GLASGOW	NOTTINGHAM	7
MAN CITY	SOUTHAMPTON	8
MIDDLBRO	MAN CITY	9
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STRA	NORTHICH	11
STRA	BRISTOL CITY	12
BLACKBURN	CARDIFF	13
BOLTON	NOTTIC	14
BOLTON	WOLVES	15
DERBY	CAMPE U	16
GLASGOW	GLASGOW	17
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SWANSEA	CHELSEA	22
WEDNESDAY	MAN CITY	23
BLACKPOOL	CHARLTON	24
BRENTFORD	GLASGOW	25
GLASGOW	GLASGOW	26
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HULL	CHESHIRE U	28
HULL	GLASGOW	29
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